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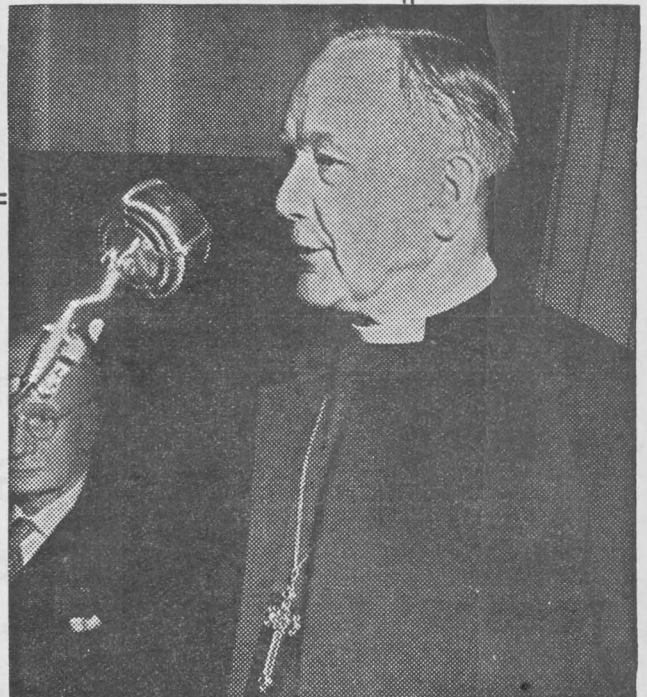
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The Bishop's Page

My Dear People.

When anyone, especially a churchman, tries to defend the Lord's Day Act, or speaks a word in favour of keeping Sunday, he is liable to be classed as a "kill-joy." So strong is the reaction against the old puritan "Sabbath," with all its petty restrictions, that even the most reasonable defence of Sunday raises the bogey—"Puritanism." The one garment that this generation will not wear is that "damp cloak" or "mantle of gloom." Our case for Sunday must, therefore, have no taint of puritanism about it, if it is to carry conviction to modern man.

As a background for some thoughts about Sunday I ask the question—How did we get the day in the first place? The early Christians met on the first day of the week to "break bread." They chose that day as a memorial of Easter. It was on the first day of the week that they discovered that Jesus was alive after He had been "crucified, dead and buried." Sunday was, and is, a weekly memorial of Easter Day.

At first Sunday was just an ordinary working day. The Church Service—the Eucharist—would be held either early in the morning, before people went to work, or at night, after the day's work was done. This was the case until the year 320 when the Emperor, to conciliate the Christians whose numbers and influence had multiplied, declared Sunday a public holiday for everyone—pagan and Christian alike. The Church rejoiced because it gave them greater freedom to worship together. Pagans welcomed a day free from work for recreation.

In those early days of the Church no one thought of connecting Sunday with the Jewish Sabbath, much less of applying the rules and regulations of the Sabbath to their day of worship. This connection was not definitely made until the late sixteenth century under the puritans in England, Scotland and America. There is no room here to record the ludicrous extremes to which puritanism went, it is enough to say that we are still suffering from a violent reaction against them. Their view that Sunday was the Jewish Sabbath transferred to the first day of the week was, of course, quite wrong. There is no historical connection between the two days.

How and why should we keep Sunday? The Church's answer is quite clear and simple. From the beginning, Sunday worship has been the rule of the Church. "Sunday being the Lord's Day, is primarily set apart for worship, and we lay upon all Christian people the duty of taking part every Sunday in the public worship of God." So runs a

recent resolution of the Convocations of Canterbury and York.

What about those in our country who reject the Christian Faith? How should they keep Sunday? It is for them "the workman's day of rest and recreation." We cannot expect them to keep the day as a memorial of Easter. But nevertheless they have just as vital an interest in safeguarding the day as a day of rest, as the Church has in safeguarding it as a day of worship. So we find, as we should expect, that Organized Labour resists every attempt to deprive the worker of his day of rest.

But from time to time efforts are made to have "business as usual" on Sunday. Those interested in a commercialized Sunday never make a frontal attack on the day. They are well aware that the workers would strongly and effectively rise up to protect their day of rest. So they resort to a flanking movement.

One such flanking movement is the effort to secure amended legislation to legalize professional and amateur commercial sports on Sunday. Anyone who ventures to oppose games on Sunday can easily be made to look like a puritan of the old guard. Thoughtless and uninformed people are easily hoodwinked. The vested interests in professional sports represent themselves as disinterested lovers of games and recreation. What could be more innocent or more effective than the following statement made by the chief advocate of commercialized sport during the recent plebiscite in Toronto—"I can see no harm in games on Sunday." It is this subtle propaganda that deceives so many church people. Of course there is no harm in games on Sunday. Not only is there no harm in them but there is no law against them, or any reasonable objection to them. They may be indulged freely by anyone who recognizes no other duty on Sunday. But the law does prohibit fat gate receipts, and that really hurts. All true lovers of sport are really glad that this is the case. For they, more than any others, deplore the ever increasing control of sport by commercial interests. Everyone knows that the real benefits of games accrue to those who participate in them and not to the spectators and rooters. So as we should expect, the disinterested lovers of sport are against the extension of commercialized sport.

In conclusion, the Church wants to preserve Sunday, free from unnecessary work, as her day of worship. Everyone wants Sunday, free from unnecessary work, as their day of rest and recreation. On Sunday the vast majority of Canadians

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The Editor's Columns

INTER-CHURCH AID

During the month of March, in every diocese of the Canadian Church, our people are being asked to support the Christian forces of Europe in their grim struggle against an increasingly hostile world. In this effort we have the co-operation of our fellow members in the Canadian Council of Churches. The campaign in the United Church will be carried on at the same time as our own, but other members have, for various reasons, chosen other dates.

As citizens we have, from time to time, responded generously to public appeals in behalf of the needy millions of Europe. But this time we are asked to do so as members of the Christian Church for the European Churches—to equip them for their work of evangelism and witness. The European pastors are continually in the front line. This is our opportunity to show our Christian concern for them and their people.

The transfer of cash from Canada to Europe, important as that is, is not enough. The appeal is not merely to your generosity in the face of tragic need. Cash is only one part of this transaction. What the Churches of Europe supremely

need in their struggle is the sense of our fellowship with them—our understanding and our sympathy. Again and again the Churches in distress have emphasized the value of such fellowship. Our willingness to share with them our material resources will be a sign of our Christian concern.

Our own Bishop is chairman of the General Synod Committee which has been charged with the responsibility of making this appeal. General Synod meeting in Halifax last September commended it. Every bishop in Canada has sponsored and approved it. The clergy will bring it to your attention. Your wardens will distribute the special envelopes and other literature, and will receive and send to the Secretary-Treasurer your contributions. If any reader wishes, contributions may be sent direct to the Synod Office, 10029 103rd Street, marked "Inter-Church Aid." Make cheques payable to the Diocese of Edmonton.

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"Inter-Church Aid is building up the whole Church of Christ in Europe."

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are free to do what they wish to do, including the worship of God and the playing of games.

The moment we commercialize Sunday we compel people to work who want to worship, or to spend the day with their families or friends, or to play games at they may choose. But the dollar-hungry want "business as usual" including, of course, the professional and amateur "sporting business."

A famous doctor said "We doctors are constantly compelled to prescribe periods of rest. Such periods are, I think, only Sundays in arrears."

We are trustees of a treasure which we have been commissioned to safeguard for the world.

Yours faithfully,

Walter Solomon

Other Noted Preachers Who Will Conduct Noon-Day Lenten Services



The Very Rev. Cecil Swanson, B.A., B.D.,
Dean of New Westminster and Rector of Christ Church Cathedral in Vancouver, who will be final speaker in the Lenten series, April 3 to 7.

This page will introduce to readers of The Edmonton Churchman the balance of the speakers who are to conduct the Noon-Day Lenten Services in All Saints' Cathedral with the exception of the Reverend H. G. Watts, D.D., field secretary of the M.S.C.C., who will preach March 27 to 31 and about whom a special article appears elsewhere in this issue.

The Reverend J. Burton Thomas, B.A., B.D., rector of St. Matthew's Church in Winnipeg, is known as a forceful and vigorous speaker who graduated from the University of Manitoba with an arts degree in 1932 and from St. John's College in 1925.

He was made a deacon in the diocese of Yukon in 1931 and was priested in Rupert's Land in 1932. He was curate of Holy Trinity in Winnipeg from 1931 to 1933 and served for a year in the Calgary pro-cathedral until 1934. He was in Brooks and Bassano for a year and then became rector of St. John's in Calgary where he served until 1939, being domestic chaplain to the Bishop of Calgary during 1938 and 1939.

In 1940, Mr. Thomas became curate of Christ Church Cathedral in Vancouver and went to Holy Trinity Cathedral in New Westminster in 1941 and he later went to his present charge in Winnipeg.

The Very Reverend C. B. Snell, M.A., D.D., dean of Calgary, was a speaker at the Lenten series in Edmonton in 1949 when his addresses were so well received that his appearance again this year is a result of popular request.

Dr. Snell is a graduate of Trinity College, Toronto, Ont., receiving his bachelor's degree in arts in 1929 and his master's degree in 1930. He was made a deacon in 1931 and was priested in 1932 when he became curate of St. Michael's in Toronto.

He was made private chaplain to the Bishop of Ontario in 1945 and became rector of the pro-cathedral of Calgary and Dean of Calgary in 1947 and examining chaplain to the Bishop of Calgary in 1948.

Dean Snell will conduct the Lenten services this year March 20 to 24.



The Rev. J. Burton Thomas, B.A., B.D.,
Rector of St. Matthew's Church in Winnipeg, who will be fourth speaker in the Lenten services, March 13 to 17.



The Very Rev. G. B. Snell, B.A., D.D.,
Dean of Calgary, who will be fifth speaker in the Lenten series, March 20 to 24.

The Very Reverend Cecil Swanson, dean of Christ Church Cathedral in Vancouver, was also a Lenten preacher in Edmonton last year and has also been invited back by request.

Dr. Swanson graduated from the University of Toronto in 1912 and was ordained in 1912 and 1913. He served in Carmacks until 1916 when he went to Whitehorse where he remained until 1920.

He became curate of Christ Church Cathedral in Vancouver in 1921 and in 1922 moved to Lethbridge where he was rector of St. Augustine's until 1932. He was rural dean of Lethbridge 1925 to 1932, archdeacon of Lethbridge from 1927 to 1932 and archdeacon in Calgary 1932 to 1940.

In 1940 he was appointed dean of New Westminster and rector of Christ Church Cathedral in Vancouver.

Dean Swanson will conduct the final Lenten services April 3 to 7 and also the Three Hours Devotions on Good Friday in All Saints' Cathedral, Edmonton.

AS IS

By Rev. David L. Greene, All Saints' Church, Duck Lake, Sask.

When I bought a used car the dealer explained that at the price quoted I must take the auto "as is." He would not recondition it.

That is normal procedure when we buy a house, when a new political party takes over government, when a rector accepts a new parish, when a younger generation assumes the duty of running the state, the church, or the world. The new authority accepts the charge "as is."

It is just human for the new power to appraise the existing situation as pretty grim. A coloured preacher, according to a story, in reporting a church convention he had attended made frequent use of an expression he learned there. He dilated upon the "the status quo." When asked to elucidate he replied: "The status quo is this here mess we are in." He had discovered the state of the church "as is" to be deplorable.

There is a fairly general consensus of opinion amongst people who trouble to think at all that we are in a mess today as regards the church, the state and the world. We of this post-second world war generation have to accept the situation as is. We have not got "one world" but two hemispheres; not one unified church but two hundred denominations; not one standard of living for all men but many standards for those who live on opposite sides of the track and international boundary lines.

Two attitudes of mind towards the status quo prevail. One is pessimistic and the other optimistic. In my rambles about town I frequently meet a crippled old age pensioner whose bent shoulders would seem to have got that way through hopelessly carrying the burdens of the world. He collects clip-pings about atrocities committed by morbid, depraved humans and about the misdoings of erring clerics. Like the Ancient Mariner he holds unwilling listeners while he recounts these incidents which prove the degenerate state of our Christian civilization. "Oh, Oh," "Umm, Umm!" he groans, "and we can't do anything about it." He is the symbol of despair which believes in leaving bad enough alone lest it be made worse.

One day a disastrous hailstorm struck a section of Saskatchewan. In seven minutes it wiped out grain crops, killed scores of chickens and broke windows in dozens of houses. The stricken community surveyed the desolation with tear-filled eyes and sinking hearts. But one mother of a large family rallied her frightened brood with a call to action. "Come, children, quick. Let us gather up some of these hail stones before they melt and we'll make ice cream!" She was typical of those who see in 'the mess we are in,' a challenge to clean up the muddle.

Human progress is ever a ding-dong battle between those who are content with the status quo and those who are impatient with the world as is. However, despite two recessions in the form of two world wars, some progress has been achieved as was so graphically revealed by Winston Churchill in his recent Boston speech. Woodrow Wilson was half a century ahead of his time but he sowed good seed. The League of Nations, United Nations, the Atlantic Pact,—these are all evidence that some people believe there is something that ought to be done and can be done to improve the status quo.

This theme could be developed ad lib in regard to international relationships. As Anglicans we are primarily interested in applying the principle to domestic church affairs. Enough has been written in our periodicals and said in our Synod meetings to indicate that there is considerable dissatisfaction with our church as is. Pension funds, inequalities in stipends, publicity organs and methods, Prayer Book revision, Indian and Eskimo missions and schools, Toronto rectories, the church's attitude towards socialism—these and other important matters are receiving well merited attention.

But the crucial question is, "Are we getting anywhere beyond eloquent discussion and often, bitter controversy?" Are we going to stop at the point where we express our disapproval with the status quo and groan, "Oh, Oh! Umm, Umm! We can't DO anything about it!" Or shall we rally our children, gather up the stones we throw and make some ice cream? Or to vary the

figure, shall we assemble some potent ingredients and bake a fruit cake before our enthusiasm cools?

We must always remember that accepting the status quo is only half the story. It is assumed that an effort will be made to change it. When we buy a used car "as is" we intend to have it reconditioned. Ours is that responsibility. We admire the zeal and enterprise of the bride who marries a drunkard with the avowed purpose to reform him—even though we may question her wisdom. We commend the determination of the young farmer who was about to marry a city-bred "school ma'am." He admitted that his fiancée could not milk cows but he declared, "I can dern soon larn her!" We would do well to emulate the Communists and the Mormons in one thing they possess in common—every member of both groups is an aggressive missionary, since both are impatient with the world as is.

In conversation with some old graduates at the recent Convocation of Emmanuel College, Saskatoon, one of my classmates of the year '13 offered an explanation why more present day graduates do not volunteer for Indian and Eskimo work. He said: "Students of today lack the old spirit of adventure. They wouldn't even climb a fire escape!"

It requires the spirit of adventure to change the status quo—even when it comes to reforming the Prayer Book. There are so many who cry, "Hands off," this and that page of service. So we continue to conclude the Exhortation with the phrase—not found in the American Book—"saying after me,"—though most people can read today. Some of us students in our adventurous days wanted to submit a suggestion to the revision committee who produced our Canadian revision. We wished to delete the second Lord's Prayer from Mattins and Evensong, as per the American Book. But our professor of Liturgics opined that it would be liturgically incorrect to make this omission. We bowed to his decision though we still felt that the chief practical purpose its repetition serves is to ensure that late comers to church do not miss the opportunity of joining in the prayer at least once.

It will take the spirit of adventure—plus courage—to change the system

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DIOCESAN NEWS



FIELD SECRETARY, M.S.C.C.



The Reverend H. G. Watts, D.D.

From Sunday, March 12th, to Friday, March 31st, the Western Field Secretary of M.S.C.C. will be in the diocese. He comes to us to support our Jubilee programme in the deaneries of Wainwright, Wetaskiwin and Edmonton. His itinerary has been arranged as follows: **Sunday, March 12th, Wainwright; Monday, March 13th, Edgerton; Tuesday, March 14th, Viking and Tofield; Wednesday, March 15th, Vegreville; Thursday, March 16th, Mannville and Vermilion; Friday, March 17th, Clamondale and Marwayne; Sunday, March 19th, and Monday, March 20th, Wetaskiwin and Ponoka; Tuesday and Wednesday, March 21st and 22nd, Camrose; Thursday and Friday, March 23rd and 24th, Sedgewick.**

During the week of the 26th Doctor Watts will be the Noon-Day Lenten preacher. The committee in charge of arrangements were urged to include him among the preachers by those who knew of his work when he was here with the University Christian Mission a few years ago. He will receive an enthusiastic welcome wherever he goes in the diocese.

MR. C. J. ADAMS

St. Michael's and All Angels, North Edmonton, is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year. Throughout most of the life time of the parish Mr. C. J. Adams has been either the rector's or the people's warden, or both. He has been almost continuously in office since 1914. Now that St. Michael's has developed to the point of having a strong vestry he has felt that he could retire as warden. The annals of our church's history record no more faithful service than he has given to St. Michael's through the years. The present flourishing condition of the parish is reward enough for Mr. Adams, but churchmen everywhere will rejoice to recognize his service, and to honor him for it. He continues as a member of the vestry.

CHURCH CO-OPERATION

Anglicans are sometimes afraid of any co-operative movement with other Christian communions. They are afraid because they strongly suspect that such movements are inclined to favor a "watery interdenominationalism." They are suspicious of the Canadian Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches, because they think of them as organizations which have as their primary objective "pan-protestantism" a kind of "ganging up on Rome" in which our own distinctive Catholic heritage will be lost in a watery fusion of strongly diluted "protestantism." Sometimes this impression is given by less responsible spokesmen, but it is far from the truth.

The plain fact is that the presence of our communion in the Councils of Churches is a guarantee against such a catastrophe. All Anglicans are agreed that we have in our heritage elements such as the sacramental principle, the Apostolic Orders, etc., which no one has any right to sacrifice to any other group. We can give them and we can share them, but **we cannot give them up.**

When Anglicans generally understand that the movement, which we now call "The Ecumenical Movement"

CALENDAR

1. **DAVID, Patron Saint of Wales. Ember Day.**
3. **Ember Day.**
4. **Ember Day.**
5. **2nd Sunday in Lent.**
12. **3rd Sunday in Lent.**
17. **PATRICK, Apostle of Ireland.**
19. **4th Sunday in Lent.**
25. **Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**
26. **Passion Sunday.**

SUMMER STUDENTS

We are to have the help of several Divinity students again this summer. Mr. Alan Hooper, of Trinity College, Toronto, will work at Redwater under the Reverend W. M. Buxton. This fast growing oil town promises to be an important Church centre. Mr. Harold Macdonald, of Trinity College, Toronto, whose home is here in Edmonton, will work with the clergy at St. Faith's Mission—probably on the Coal Branch where Mr. Hooper was last summer.

At least two of our own students—Mr. Jack Gibbons and Mr. Reg. Alcock, both of St. John's, will be with us. It has not been decided where they will work.

With the timely and efficient help of these Divinity students we can carry on until the numbers of diocesan ordinations enable us to fill the vacant missions.

was created and fostered by our own most trusted leaders, they will no longer hang back. On the other hand the more thoughtful members of the Protestant Churches are thoroughly convinced that there are indispensable elements of Faith and Order in the Church of England, which must one day become the inheritance of the whole Church. "Through the Church which holds the open Bible in one hand and Apostolic Order in the other, the Church will one day be united." Our's is a reformed Catholicism. Its reformed aspect is essential to its true Catholicism, hence our position as over against Rome on the one hand, and "denominationalism" on the other.

DEPUTATION WORK

The Reverend J. G. Gardiner, of St. Faith's Mission, has been in Toronto for several weeks on deputation work. The Toronto Fellowship of the West is taking an interest in the mission and wanted all their people to hear a first hand story of what is being done. Reports have come through indicating the great value of his work wherever he has spoken. In the creation of missionary enthusiasm there is no substitute for the personal agent.

ORDINATION

The Bishop has announced his intention to ordain Mr. Leo Thurston to the Diaconate on Trinity Sunday, June 4th, at 11 a.m. in All Saints' Cathedral. Mr. Thurston will complete his course at St. John's College, Winnipeg, in April. All our people will rejoice to hear this news, but especially those in Irma where his home is. Support Leo in your prayers as he prepares himself for ordination. He will begin his ministry at Ashmont.

MR. ARCHIE BOWKER

His many friends in the diocese will learn with thankfulness that Mr. A. E. Bowker has sufficiently recovered to resume his studies at St. John's. We cannot expect to have him with us for summer work, but all being well he will, with Mrs. Bowker, pay a visit to Edmonton. Unfortunately the day of his ordination has been delayed by his recent illness, but we now hope and pray for an uninterrupted course to that great day.

A FELLOWSHIP FOR VERNON W. BARFORD, M.A.

It is very seldom that a church has the privilege of honoring one of its staff on completion of fifty years continuous service. Such was the fortunate position of All Saints' Cathedral on Sunday evening, January 22nd, when Mr. Vernon West Barford was made an honorary fellow of St. John's College, Winnipeg, at a special convocation in Edmonton. The St. John's graduates occupied the front pew. The Very Rev. A. M. Trendell, Dean of Edmonton, said the Bidding Prayer from the pulpit, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

The anthem, "The Radiant Morn," was sung, the composer of which was a master at Worcester Cathedral Choir School when Mr. Barford was there as a pupil.

The Archbishop of Rupert's Land, the Rt. Rev. L. R. Sherman, as chancellor of St. John's College, then called upon Cannon R. J. Pierce, warden of St. John's, to read the resolution authorizing this special convocation, the first held outside the city of Winnipeg. The Bishop of Edmonton presented Mr. Barford to the chancellor.

The chancellor, with suitable words of welcome, conferred the Fellowship and handed Mr. Barford the official parchment. After signing the college record Mr. Barford took his place at the organ and the "Te Deum" was sung to a setting by Stamford, a fitting thanksgiving to Almighty God.

The chancellor, for his address, took the text, "When they had sung a hymn (or psalm) they went out, the concluding words of St. Matthews and St. Mark's account of the "Last Supper" with great clarity he pointed out that music had nearly always taken an important part in the church's worship and would continue to do so. The great exception being during the Puritan Revolution under Cromwell when all organs or musical instruments in churches were ordered to be burnt or destroyed.

Space does not permit of a fuller report of His Grace's address which will be remembered for many years to come by those privileged to hear it.

A reception to Mr. and Mrs. Barford and their family in the Parish Hall followed the Convocation at which Mr. Barford was presented with a chair from the choir and a cheque from the congregation, Mrs. Barford receiving bouquets of flowers.

THE RED CROSS SOCIETY

The annual appeal of the Canadian Red Cross Society will be made to the Canadian people during the month of March. On Sundays, March 5th and March 12th, prayers for the work of the Society will be offered in our churches. Anglicans have always taken an active part in the work of the Society, and will continue to do so. Let us do our best again this year.

BROADCASTING

SUNDAY SERVICES at 11 a.m.

March

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| 5. All Saints | CJCA |
| 12. St. Faith's | CFRN |
| 19. Holy Trinity | CJCA |

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Some Definitions

Conscience—The still small voice that makes us feel still smaller.

A fusser—One who takes infinite pains and gives them to other people.

A babbler—One who has lost the art of conversation, but not unfortunately the power of speech.

An adviser—One who knows just what to do—until it happens to himself.

Horse Sense—Something a horse has that keeps him from betting on humans.

Gardening—An effort to improve your own lot.

A Saint—A sinner who has kept on trying.

A Smile—A light in the window of a face that shows that the heart is at home.

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ELIZABETH HOUSE GUILD

Reports read at the annual meeting of Elizabeth House Guild told of considerable progress made toward the exterior renovation of Elizabeth House and chapel.

All window frames, roof and trim were repaired and painted. The outside of the house and chapel was finished with white asbestos shingles, which greatly improves the appearance and comfort of the house and cuts the cost of upkeep. A glassed-in porch was added to the front and various other small jobs were done. Inside the house, the lower corridor was covered with linoleum.

The financial statement was briefly as follows:

| Receipts | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance Jan. 7, 1949 | \$2,923.68 |
| Donations: | |
| Tegler Trust | 400.00 |
| W.A. Groups | 45.00 |
| Sundry | 2,145.50 |
| Membership fees | 60.00 |
| Bazaar, teas, sales, etc | 1,482.71 |
| Total | \$6,056.89 |
| Disbursements | |
| Repairs and alterations to | |
| Elizabeth House | \$4,331.05 |
| To Elizabeth House Board: | |
| Tegler Trust, 1948-49 | 800.00 |
| Expenses, postage, bazaar, etc | 116.17 |
| Total | \$5,247.22 |
| Balance, Jan. 6, 1950 | 809.67 |
| | \$6,056.89 |

The officers elected for 1950 were as follows:

- Hon. Pres., Mrs. W. A. Barfoot.
- Hon. Vice-Pres., Mrs. F. Ford.
- President, Mrs. J. M. Forbes.
- 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. Philip Baker.
- 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. R. P. Lefroy.
- Secretary, Mrs. N. Kilburn.
- Treasurer, Mrs. C. Linten.
- Finance, Mrs. R. C. Marshall.
- Flowers, Mrs. H. S. Clark.
- Furnishings, Mrs. P. L. Debney, Mrs. R. P. Lefroy.
- Advisory Committee: Mrs. P. L. Debney, Mrs. R. Spilstead, Mrs. W. G. Hinds, Mrs. J. A. L. Smith, Mrs. S. R. MacMillan.

During 1950 the Guild will continue to finance further improvements to the buildings, grounds and interior of Elizabeth House.

A Year With the A.Y.

At last year's Annual Summer Camp, held early in August, the new executive was elected to their one-year term of office. The first "Council" sponsored function under the new officers was the installation service held in the Cathedral in the middle of October. The council chaplain, Rev. G. D. Kelly, installed the new officers at this service, and Dean Trendell preached a very inspiring sermon.

In the month of November a charade contest was held in St. Mark's Parish Hall. At this competition the newly formed Junior Group from St. Mary's walked off with top honors with their interpretation of the word "feline."

The annual Christmas party, put on by the St. Peter's branch, proved to be a very great success. At this function, tins and packages of food were collected and three large hampers were made up for needy persons.

During the latter part of January a leadership training course was held under the direction of Rev. F. A. Peake, for all officers in the branches and on the local council. The subjects dealt with were "Opportunities for Youth in the Church" and "Recreations and Program Planning."

At this time we extend a very hearty welcome to two new branches in the diocese. These two, one at Christ Church, and at St. John's, both have shown promise of being top rank groups and our best wishes are extended to them for success on the road ahead.

At the time of writing, a sleigh-ride has been planned for February 17th at St. Luke's, and our annual public speaking contest is slated for March 31st at St. Faith's. Planning is to start at the end of February for a gigantic provincial conference to be held here in Edmonton some time in the fall.

The members of the Diocesan Council and the local branches would, at this time, like to thank all those who have helped us to have a very successful year to date. We would also like to extend an open invitation to all young people in the diocese to become affiliated with the branch in their parish.

"The best place to have a helping hand is at the end of your own arm."

AS IS

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under which clergymen, especially those past middle age are moved from one parish to another. After a man has reached fifty he is not often invited to fill a vacant rectorship. So the older priest remains on and on long after he feels that it would be better for both himself and his parish to have a change. From talks with various rectors I was convinced that there are dozens of older men who would welcome a move. I believe there are plenty of parishes too who would be glad to receive a new rector. But while our present machinery remains "as is" there is little hope of effecting desired changes.

My thought is that bishops, clergy and congregations should recognize this impasse and co-operate in working out a plan by which exchanges could be effected between parishes of comparable size and status. An older priest who feels that his work is done in one parish during a long term there can still do excellent service in a new parish with the fresh inspiration which a new environment gives. Congregations must realize that there are not enough young men to fill every parish and that older men must be provided with parishes. The latter cannot retire with benefit of pension until they are seventy. This is one of the very real problems which help to constitute our status quo.

What is to be the church's reaction to this and all those other problems of varying magnitude? The present generation must perforce accept the church "as is." But that is not to say what is must continue to be. What to do with the inherited situation is the question which confronts each generation. The status quo may mark either the end or a new beginning according to the spirit of the generation concerned. The comment of the age must be either, "Come children, let us gather up our resources of genius and build better," or, "Oh, Oh! Umm, Umm! PERIOD!"

The reputation of a woman may be compared to a mirror, shining and bright, but liable to be sullied by every breath that comes near it.—Carvantes.



Woman's Auxiliary



Daily Call to Prayer

"Our Father in Heaven, we pray Thee to send into our hearts, and into the hearts of all men everywhere the spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen."

Changes of Officers

Extra-Cent-a-Day, Mrs. D. N. Wade, 9837 88th Ave. G.A. Secretary, Mrs. J. A. L. Smith, 11126 77th Ave.

Notice! Branch Presidents!

The annual fee for each W.A. member in 20 cents. Branch presidents are requested to see that membership fees for 1950 are sent to the Diocesan Treasurer, Mrs. C. H. Harris, 10806 125th Street, Edmonton, by midsummer or even before. The reason for this is to avoid reductions in membership due to fees being sent too late in the year. Also will all branches please pay their second quarter of pledge by June 15?

Deanery Branches

Are reminded of the need for the usual contributions from branches at the Deanery Annals in June. If a deanery did not decide at its annual in 1949 what the deanery work-project would be, please consult with the Diocesan President soon. The usual layettes, quilts, mitts, scarves, etc., are always acceptable but it might be that branches would like a change of hand-work.

Dates of Deanery Annals

Pembina—June 7 at Kapasiwin.
Wainwright—June 15 at Viking.
Wetaskiwin—June 21 at Sedgewick.
Vermilion—June 27 at Vermilion.

Dates of W.A. Events in the City and of Fall Bazaars

APRIL

12 St. Faith's Eve. Br., Rummage Sale.
12 Good Shepherd Eve. Br., Tea.
12 St. Matthew's, Tea.
14 Holy Trinity, Tea.
19 St. Michael's, Tea.
20 Christ Church, Rummage Sale.
29 Cathedral Eve. Br., Tea.

MAY

3 St. John's, Tea.
12 Holy Trinity J.A., Tea.
12 Holy Trinity Young Women, Tea.
19 Christ Church, Tea.
26 St. Mary's Eve. Br., Country Fair.

JUNE

2 All Saints' Mission, Tea and Sale.
16 St. Luke's, Tea.
21 St. Paul's Eve. Br., Tea.
23 All Saints', Tea.

SEPT.

15 Christ Church, Tea.
16 St. Faith's Eve. Br., Tea.
Date to be set—Life Members' Annual Tea.
28 St. Michael's, Supper.

OCTOBER

6 All Saints' Connaught Group, Tea
13 or 20 All Saints' Bus. Girls, Bazaar.
11 Good Shepherd, Bazaar.
25 St. Matthew's, Bazaar.
27 St. Mary's Evening and Afternoon Branches, Bazaar.

NOV.

2 All Saints, Bazaar.
3 St. Faith's Eve. Br., Bazaar.
8 St. John's, Bazaar.
15 St. Stephen's, St. Peter's, Bazaar.
16 St. Luke's, Bazaar.
17 St. Faith's, Bazaar.
17 Holy Trinity Young Women, Bazaar

DEC.

1 All Saints' Mission, Tea.
6 Christ Church, Bazaar.
6 St. Michael's, Bazaar.

The Diocesan Annual Meeting

Dates—April 25, 26 and 27.

Place—All Saints' Cathedral and Hall.

Programmes will be printed in the April number of this magazine.

Letter of Appreciation

From Miss F. E. Taylor, R.N., Matron at Charles Camsell Indian Hospital:

"On behalf of our Anglican patients for whom the W.A. brought Christmas gifts, I wish to thank the members of that society.

"I think the patients quite enjoyed Christmas and even the younger girls, who were in quarantine, had a pleasant time.

"I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all W.A. members for the work they have done during the past year in visiting and bringing magazines, etc. Such work plays an important part in the plan to cure our patients."

An Appeal From the Dominion Candidates' Secretary

An urgent request has come from the House of Bishops of the Japanese church for a trained kindergarten teacher, who is a university graduate, for the staff of the Kindergarten Training School in Nagoya.

Will the diocesan candidates' secretaries and all members of the W.A. please endeavour through prayer and active searching, to find and recruit a candidate with these qualification? The need is pressing.

The Dominion Candidates' Secretary writes to Mrs. W. Hammett, Diocesan Secretary, asking that all W.A. branches keep in mind this need for a trained kindergarten teacher. when one is found, she says, there is still the language to learn, and more training before she can join the staff.

Something Unusual

An appeal for skates which are no longer needed by our children! These skates are to be sent to the boys and girls at Wabasca school. The lake is at the school's door and only a few boys have skates. Let us try for 50 pairs of skates, ranging from 6-year old size to 16-year old for both sexes. Please send to Mrs. H. Davis, Dorcas Secretary-Treasurer, c-o the Synod Office, at 10029 103rd St., Edmonton.

Also, the same kind of appeal for bathing suits.

Answers to a Former Appeal

Barrhead J.A. held a tea recently at Mrs. Hooper's home. The J.A. members were responsible for the refreshments. Guests made a generous response to the invitation to bring articles for the Indian and Eskimo girls in the Camsell hospital.

A large carton of wool, knitting needles, crochet hooks, cotton, lace edging, rick-rack braid, transfers, pattern pieces, leather, felt pieces, beads, new pieces of fancy work, stamped, was delivered to the visiting committee. Thank you, Barrhead!

Wetaskiwin, too deserves thanks for parcel of odds and ends, all most acceptable, which they sent in by Mrs. S. Cole, at Christmastime.

Sing With the Understanding "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

When the Archbishop of Rupert's Land was in Edmonton on January 22nd for the special Convocation of St. John's College, he preached a memorable sermon on the subject "Music and life." This text was "When they had sung an hymn they went out." The power of music in public worship and in the hearts of men was eloquently presented with a wealth of concrete illustration, drawn from many sources. His sermon suggested this contribution.

As we move towards Good Friday on our Lenten path, there is one hymn more often than others that will be sung in every church—Isaac Watt's "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," Matthew Arnold called it the finest hymn ever written. Arnold Bennett, in one of his stories, pictures his heroine hearing it at an open air service and saying, "It would be worth anything on earth to be able to sing those words and mean them." There is no doubt that that great Passion hymn has more power to move men's hearts than most of those with which we are familiar. But its very familiarity is a danger.

The moving quality of these great words, joined to good music, can so easily lead to unreality.

In the biography of the late Archbishop of Canterbury, William Temple, the following account of a mission to the University of Oxford is recorded—"Every seat was taken; undergraduates were sitting on the parapet steps, even on the floor of the church, and the Vice-Chancellor had to push his way to his seat through a tightly packed mass of men who were preparing to stand throughout the service. Never was an appeal less directed to the emotions than when Temple, unfolding night after night, the fundamental Christian world view, startled his hearers by his obvious and profound belief in truths which many of them (in so far as they had thought of them at all) had come to regard with contempt, and justified his convictions by rational appeal. He had none of the tricks of a professional missionary; only once did he take a risk—on the last night of the Mission. The moment for dedication and resolve had come. The

hymn "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" was being roared out, when before the last verse Temple stopped the singing and said: "I want you to read over this verse before you sing it. They are tremendous words. If you mean them with all your hearts sing them as loud as you can. If you don't mean them at all keep silent. If you mean them a little, and want them to mean more, sing them very softly." There was a dead silence while every eye was fastened on the printed hymn sheet, and then, to hear Isaac Watt's words:

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

whispered by the voices of 2,000 young men and women was (in the recollection of one of them) "an experience never to be erased from my memory until the whole tablet is blotted."

St. Paul makes it clear that if prayer or hymn are to have their proper moral and spiritual power, the mind must be active in them. He says, in 1. Cor. 14—"I am therefore determined to pray with my spirit and my mind, and if I sing I will sing with both spirit and understanding."

The Two Gods (Neither One Much Good!)

By the Rev. C. R. Fielding, Trinity College, Toronto

Business is business. What are the undertones of this familiar phrase? Evidently the belief that something morally wrong is nevertheless necessary and unavoidable. Or perhaps the belief that "business" is now somehow more real than "some idealistic nonsense" which is opposed to it. The important thing about all this is the faith which is expressed about what is really "real," what is basic, what is fundamentally true about life—it is the faith that something evil is not only there but **unavoidably** there. Or consider another phrase: "**That's human nature.**" This may be stretched to mean that there is an inevitable wrongness in human nature about which nothing whatever can be done,—or at best, that man can only be conditioned and coerced.

A lot of popular ways of thinking like this add up very easily to the belief that the world has a basically evil element in it which can never be dealt with effectively. It is therefore a waste of time to try, because the world is simply not the sort of place in which the good life is possible. To think so is to be crazy.

Now this is a very old belief and one not to be easily laughed off, even on this optimistic continent. It amounts to saying that some things are for ever bad, and that nothing in heaven or earth will ever make them decent. Or, it amounts to saying that there is an evil God who cannot be finally overcome, and who presides over things like "business," "human nature," the "real (i.e. material) world," and so on.

But this belief is never, of course, meant to deny that there is also a good God who is the source of benevolence and love and spiritual strength. But this good God is really powerless when it comes to dealing with the "real world" as we often call it.

This sort of belief confronts us with two sorts of possibilities. If we belong to political group X, we may aim, in church, to stick to something called "religion," and not to get mixed up with politics (which should be left to hard-headed men who have learned how to come to terms with the "real world"). Or, if we belong to political party Y, we very readily lament that the good God is so useless and that, by heck, we'll show the real world a thing or two ourselves, and that anyway the good God is only an illusion useful for the weak (children and old people). But either way, in party X or party Y, the real business of life is run on lines quite unlike "religion" and should be left to the hard-headed fellows of either X or Y, who will be

governed not by the good God, but by something called "political realities," which look suspiciously like the other God.

The early Christians knew all this quite well. Their world talked quite frankly about two Gods—one good and one evil. The good one was very pure and lofty and spiritual. The bad one was very concerned with material things, the world, the flesh and all that. And the good one could do nothing about **Him**, except perhaps help you to get away from it all.

And what did the early Christians do? They came crashing into that ancient world, saying seriously and convincingly:

We believe in ONE God,
The Father ALMIGHTY,
Maker of heaven AND earth.

In other words they denied that the world was hopeless, that there was any evil about which nothing could be done. They asserted instead, that there was ONE God only and that all the power there was in both the "spiritual world" and the "real world" was ultimately His power; for that is what ALMIGHTY means. And this One God was "Father of our Lord Jesus Christ," he was good, that is to say, in that particular sense, that he was like Christ.

And what did all this do? It released men. They were delivered from hopelessness and cynicism. They discovered in the Christian fellowship that God had in fact provided the means for the good life in this world. Nothing was hopeless, not even the government, suffering and death. In the face of death they laughed with joy (which greatly annoyed their solemn and learned critics) because they had discovered that God's world had much more "reality" in it than they had seen before, in their supposedly hard-headed days.

The old popular religion of the two gods has never really died. It has blossomed many times, and again in our generation. There are the hard-headed fellows with their "realistic" views about the intractable evil in the universe. And there are the "religious" people with their nice spiritual god who has no appeal for those nasty materialists. Here are simply the two old gods (and we might as well un-

mask them and spell them both with a small g), the two old gods in new dress. The Christian believes in neither of them. Neither the nice one nor the nasty one. The Christian, the real one, is once again preparing himself to crash the modern pagan world with the only real faith about things ultimate:

We believe in one God,
The Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

No condition is ultimately beyond God's control. Response to him is always possible, not only in health, but also in suffering and death.

HEARD IN THE BUS

"It's providence meeting you, Mrs. Smith. If I don't get it off my chest soon I shall burst.

"Dear me, Mrs. Brown, whatever is it?"

"Why the vicar, of course. He wants me to take one of them missionary boxes."

"What a shame, Mrs. B. As I always say . . ."

"No, vicar, I says, quite firm. Encourage the heathen I won't. When they gets civilized like us and stops eating each other, I says, I might do something about them, I says, but if you expect me to put my hand in my pocket for people what can't even speak the King's English, I says, then you're very much mistook."

"Quite right, Mrs. B., it's them what . . ."

"Oh, Mrs. B., he says, how can you expect them to get civilized, he says, if we don't do something about it? Ah, but vicar, I says, you forget that it wasn't them what civilized us, I says, we had to do it ourselves, I says, and they must do the same."

"And what did he say to that, Mrs. B?"

"Well, you know what he is. Tried to drag me into some argument about St. Augustine and St. Wilfred and I don't know what—all. He said where would we be if they had took the line I do? I don't know nothing about that, I says, and I don't want to. All I know is, I says, if you want to encourage our people to go out and nurse ugly black

babies, I says, while we has to pay half a crown an hour to get someone to sit in while we goes to the pictures, I says, then you're no better than a fifth columnist, and don't expect me what's more, I says, they'll only turn of it, I says, to be so unpatriotic. And what's more, I says, they'll only turn and bite the hand what feeds them, like the early worm, I says."

"Very well put, Mrs. B., I'm sure, and . . ."

"And there's another thing, I says. We want to keep our religion respectable, I says, and not drag in every Dick, Tom and Harry, or whatever it is these foreigners call themselves. When I goes to church I likes to feel that I'm mixing with people what I can look up to, I says, and what do you think he says to that?"

"I've no idea, I'm sure, Mrs. B., but if you . . ."

"Well, Mrs. B., he says, and what would happen if all your superiors in church thought like that about you, why the church would soon be empty."

"Well, of all the . . ."

"Exactly, Mrs. S., and now you can see why I'm so upset. Well, vicar, I says, with dignity, it's quite clear you don't know how to speak to a lady, I says. If you think you can insult a poor defenceless woman, I says, and then ask me to help fill the church with a lot of half-naked savages what couldn't even fill up a football pool, I says, then it's time to put an end to this discussion. A fine thing it would be, I says, for my Alfie what's just won a scholarship to the High School to have to mix with a lot of heathens what couldn't even spell their name if so be as they've got a name. It's people like you what tries to make people like them as good as people like us, I says, so good morning, vicar, I says, and I don't think he'll trouble me with his missionary boxes again in a hurry."

—"Church of England Newspaper"

If you have built accuracy, ambition, initiative, a willingness to work hard, enthusiasm, honesty, reliability, courage, and an interest in people, and a desire for knowledge and service into your life, you will have a dynamic personality.

What Remains to be Done?

Anglican Advance Appeal Financial Report

Below is the standing of parishes in this diocese in the A.A.A. financial campaign as at the end of 1949. This shows that approximately \$4,000.00 is outstanding—nearly one year after the due date of the last instalment.

In some parishes promises greatly exceeded the objective. This factor would increase the outstanding amount very considerably.

Letters will be sent, to their last known address, of those who have not paid in full. Will all those who have not paid in full, please write to this office whether they receive a notice or not? Parish chairmen or treasurers of A.A.A. financial appeal are asked to assist where they know there are arrears.

The collection of the full amount outstanding is of the utmost importance to this diocese as shown by:

1. Of a stipend grant from A.A.A. funds of \$3,500.00 to Edmonton for 1950 only \$1,925.00 will be received because A.A.A. funds are not sufficient.
2. Three-quarters of the amount collected would come to the diocese immediately and would go into the Church Building Loan Fund—enough to encourage a young parish to start a building programme.

ANGLICAN ADVANCE APPEAL

Subscriptions to Dec. 31, 1949

| | Objective | Paid to Dec. 31, 1949 |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| All Saints' Cathedral | \$ 13,299.46 | \$ 12,484.50 |
| Christ Church | 12,421.31 | 10,730.01 |
| Holy Trinity | 9,850.01 | 8,774.50 |
| St. Faith's | 3,178.10 | 3,440.01 |
| St. Stephen's | 1,624.00 | 906.00 |
| St. Matthew's | 181.88 | 132.00 |
| St. Michael's | 179.15 | 154.50 |
| St. Mark's | 758.68 | 743.00 |
| St. Mary's | 1,496.11 | 1,341.00 |
| St. Peter's | 2,364.26 | 2,492.00 |
| Good Shepherd | 631.97 | 625.00 |
| St. Luke's | 1,721.87 | 1,721.87 |
| St. John's | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| St. Paul's | 370.68 | 302.00 |
| Ashmont | 140.00 | |
| Rife | 250.00 | 129.50 |
| Grand Centre | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| Barrhead | 359.00 | 609.00 |
| Glenreagh | 200.00 | 134.00 |
| Sion | | 155.00 |
| Westlock | 317.00 | 135.00 |
| Sunnybank | 50.00 | 37.30 |
| Clyde | 300.00 | 277.25 |
| Jarvie | 100.00 | 106.00 |
| Camrose | 800.00 | 668.50 |
| Bittern Lake | 400.00 | 754.00 |
| Daysland | 150.00 | 165.00 |
| Cadomin | 488.51 | 480.00 |

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|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| Luscar | | 35.00 |
| Mountain Park | 183.27 | 20.00 |
| Foothills | 245.35 | 415.00 |
| Sterco | 164.78 | 23.57 |
| Irvinville | 300.00 | 272.50 |
| Clandonald | 400.00 | 300.06 |
| Landonville | 150.00 | 180.00 |
| Marwayne | | 83.20 |
| Kitscoty | 150.00 | 167.00 |
| Golden Valley | 100.00 | 30.00 |
| Islay | 75.00 | 417.25 |
| Blackfoot | 150.00 | 150.00 |
| Consort | | 209.25 |
| Monitor | | 55.75 |
| Drayton Valley | 100.00 | 145.00 |
| Edson | 1,170.81 | 756.75 |
| St. Faith's Mission | 150.00 | 116.00 |
| Hattonford | | 57.03 |
| Edgerton | 600.00 | 794.00 |
| Heath | 250.00 | 205.53 |
| Fort Saskatchewan | 297.26 | 482.00 |
| Bon Accord | 286.00 | 295.12 |
| Gibbons | 414.70 | 381.12 |
| Jasper | 1,735.55 | 1,420.36 |
| Leduc | 285.00 | 271.00 |
| Millet | 285.00 | 207.00 |
| Mannville | 600.00 | 438.50 |
| Stellaville | 200.00 | 30.00 |
| Wilberforce | 150.00 | 85.00 |
| Minburn | | 15.00 |
| Innisfree | 85.00 | 48.00 |
| Chailey | 200.00 | 133.59 |
| Mayerthorpe | 300.00 | 336.85 |
| Onoway | 500.00 | 364.00 |
| Ponoka | 1,187.47 | 1,028.50 |
| Sedgewick | 500.00 | 482.00 |
| Killam | 300.00 | 300.15 |
| Hardisty | 400.00 | 157.00 |
| Hughenden | 150.00 | 180.00 |
| Lougheed | 150.00 | 69.00 |
| Tofield | 300.00 | 303.65 |
| Viking and Rodino | 400.00 | 247.03 |
| Vegreville | 400.00 | 520.00 |
| Soda Lake, Whitford and Willingdon | 200.00 | 276.00 |
| Vermilion and Ottawa | 1,063.70 | 1,164.28 |
| Pleasant Valley | 100.00 | 20.00 |
| Wetaskiwin | 1,427.56 | 1,294.00 |
| Wabamun | 100.00 | 56.00 |
| Rexboro | 200.00 | 32.00 |
| Duffield | 200.00 | 34.00 |
| Wainwright | 1,000.00 | 1,760.77 |
| Battle Heights | 153.82 | 169.00 |
| Irma | 205.62 | 292.00 |
| Winfield | 200.00 | 157.50 |
| Breton | | 33.00 |
| Hoadley | | 85.00 |
| Miscellaneous | | 682.45 |
| | \$ 70,297.92 | \$ 66,280.70 |

Rural Deanery of Edmonton

ALL SAINTS' CATHEDRAL

The Very Rev. A. M. Trendell

The Rev. J. E. Williams

On Sunday evening, January 22nd, a special Convocation of St. John's College, Winnipeg was held at the Cathedral, when Mr. Vernon Barford our organist and choirmaster was elected as Honorary Fellow of St. John's in recognition of his 50 years of faithful service to All Saints and his valuable contribution to music in the Province and throughout Canada. The Most Rev. The Lord Archbishop of Rupert's Land, Chancellor of St. John's, conferred the Fellowship on Mr. Barford, and he also gave the address. This moving and inspiring service will always be remembered by the large number of well-wishers who were present. After the service, the Dean, on behalf of the Congregation and Mr. Simpson, on behalf of All Saints' Choir, presented Mr. Barford with suitable gifts as tokens of appreciation.

In spite of the cold weather a fairly representative number attended the Annual Congregational Meeting which was held in the Parish Hall on Monday evening, January 30th. All the organizations presented very successful and encouraging reports. The Dean and Rector, in his survey of the previous year's work, said that it was the most successful that All Saints had experienced, and what was of prime importance, that the Church had advanced spiritually as well as materially. In view of his sterling work in the past, Mr. Story was again elected People's Warden by acclamation and the Rector re-appointed Mr. R. P. Lefroy to be Rector's Warden. After the election of representatives to the Vestry and to Synod those present enjoyed refreshments provided by members of the W.A.

The bitterly cold weather of January held up the canvassing for the Cathedral Building Fund and it was found expedient to extend the canvass over a longer period than originally intended. The result of the canvass at the time of going to press is as follows: Cash received—\$3,253; Pledges: \$10,368, making a total of \$13,621. This sum represents the response from only two-thirds of the congregation of All Saints. The grand total of the Fund, which includes the pledges, now stands at \$69,526.

W.A. Notes—The members of the Cathedral Evening Branch, under the presidency of Mrs. Hamilton, are busy making preparations for their Annual Spring Tea, which will be held on April 29th at the Empire Buildings. A very instructive lantern show was given recently in connection with the study book "Dawn over Japan," and it was a pleasure to have

with us members of St. Luke's W.A. The regular meeting on the 3rd Thursday in the month is now spent in the devotional study of the "Symbols" of our Church.

The Senior Branch of the W.A. are away to a very busy start at the beginning of our new year, we say thank you to our retiring officers of the past year, to our new officers, we know you will enjoy your work.

The Annual Shrove Tuesday Tea usually held at the Rectory by members of St. Catherines Group, due to unforeseen circumstances is being held this year at St. Catherines Residence, we are looking forward to meeting our friends there again.

Commencing Ash-Wednesday with the noon-day Lenten service the Senior Branch are among the four Branches of the W.A.'s in the City partaking in the serving of light lunches, other Branches are St. Luke's, St. Faith's and St. Peter's.

We are again catering for the Annual Boy Scout Dinner to be held in the Parish Hall Friday, February 24th, we would like the Scouts Assn. to know how pleased we were that they again asked us, Mrs. J. Regan is again convening the affair.

CHRIST CHURCH

Canon E. S. Ottley

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation on January 25th is no longer news, but one or two matters are worth mentioning. The reports given of the past year's work were most encouraging, not merely in regard to finances, but also in the matter of work accomplished and activities operating. Mr. W. W. Evans was appointed Rector's Warden to succeed Mr. Frank King, and Mr. E. Norman elected People's Warden for another year.

W.A.—At the second meeting in January plans were laid for a "Queen of Hearts" Tea, which was held in the Hall on February 10th. The affair was convened by Mrs. R. B. Williamson, with C. S. Kilgour and Mrs. Wood in charge of the home cooking table. The Tea was a complete success. There was a good attendance, and the proceeds exceeded \$125.00. The excellent results of the Tea enabled the members to accept without regret the news that the Spring Rummage Sale could not be held, as the Social Credit Rooms are no longer available.

The Men's Supper convened by Mrs. Moore was also voted a great success. More than 80 men attended, and there were many compliments expressed as to the excellence of the meal.

Mrs. Gutteridge was appointed General Bazaar Convener, with Mrs.

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Thompson in charge of knitting, Mrs. V. Wood, Mrs. R. B. Williamson and Mrs. Gross, aprons; Mrs. L. D. Moore and Mrs. Cadogan, fancy work. The Bazaar date was set for December 6th. The Dorcas Bale requirements were presented to the meeting and accepted. Mrs. A. Adams, our president, was unanimously chosen as our nominee for the Vestry.

Five chapters of the Study Book have now been completed, and the beautiful slides shown, with the commentary read by Mrs. Gutteridge. At the February meeting, news was received that the Girls' Branch was in process of being re-organized under the leadership of Miss Dolores Fisher. Funds were voted to assist in getting handicraft supplies. A Supper party for the members of the W.A. was planned for February 17th, with a social evening to follow, and it proved a most enjoyable affair.

A.Y.P.A.—Our A.Y.P.A. has finally been re-organized. A meeting of a good number of our young people was held in the Parish Hall on January 22nd, following a Buffet Supper. At that time a committee was formed to lay plans for the organization of the A.Y.P.A. These plans bore fruit at the first official meeting on Sunday evening, January 29th, when officers elected were: Ted Linney, President, Phil Baker, Vice-President, Anne Percy, Secretary and Daphne Ryland, Treasurer. It was agreed that meetings would be held on the second and fourth Sunday evenings of the month, with one additional meeting on one week-night each month, to be arranged by the Executive. A most gratifying number of our members were out on February 12, when some excellent movies were shown. The following Friday a "work party" gathered in the Hall and painted the lines for Badminton. Now we shall expect to see great activity whenever the Hall is available.

Men's Club—The Men's Club held a supper meeting on January 30th, when over eighty men were present. An excellent meal was provided by the W.A. and there followed a most interesting address by Mr. F. J. Lymburn, K.C., on Robertson's Men's Club, and heard an enlightening address by the President of the Chamber of Commerce on the "Future of Edmonton." The next meeting will be held in the Hall on March 17th.

Choir—The Social Committee arranged a party for the Choir on Feb. 10, and it was encouraging to find that the work of preparation involved was so well rewarded. A large majority of the Choir members and their friends attended, and enjoyed an evening of dancing and games and "stump choruses," that made this the best party the Choir has had in years.

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Congregational Meeting:

The annual Congregational Meeting was a particularly happy one, and there was a fine attendance in spite of the extremely cold weather. The reports presented and printed of the past year's activities were most encouraging, and we are deeply thankful to God for the fine spirit which prevails, and for the splendid record of achievement. H. W. Tye was again chosen Rector's Warden, and H. G. Dyer re-elected People's Warden. A. H. Lord was again elected as Envelope Secretary. The following Vestry were elected:

S. B. Clarke, C. Crook, S. G. Davis, F. J. Fishburne, C. S. Fletcher, J. S. Gilbert, G. Hare, H. H. Moor, H. Moss, J. G. Rowlett, H. Rayment, A. E. Salter, J. E. Smith, T. M. Walton and R. Wood.

Conveners of Sidesmen—P. D. Fowler and L. Fishburne.

Synod Delegates—T. W. Bull, F. J. Fishburne, F. C. Jamieson, A. H. Lord, A. E. Salter and H. W. Tye.

Auditors—T. W. Bull and R. Wood.

Lenten Services:

Mid week Lenten Services will be held, commencing Ash Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. A series of Question and Answer addresses is planned, and questions from the congregation will be welcomed. We hope that every one will make some special observance of this Lenten season.

Confirmation Classes:

Classes have already commenced for both students and adults, but we would still be glad to receive any others who have not as yet enrolled. Classes meet on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. and 8:15 p.m.

Choir:

The annual Choir Banquet held at the Corona was a most enjoyable function, and well attended. The Choir were most pleased to welcome Mr. Wild back again after his recent illness.

Parish Guild:

A very pleasant Bridge and Whist Drive was held in the Parish Hall, and largely attended. Through the kindness of Mrs. L. F. Dawes, a Concert is to be given on March 24th

(Friday) by the St. Cecilia Girl's Choir in the Church Assembly Hall, and sponsored by the Guild. Tickets may be obtained from members of the Guild.

Sanctuary Guild:

The annual Lenten Tea is to be held on March 17th and again the Guild invites the support of the Congregation.

Women's Auxiliary:

The W.A. will hold a Market Stall in the City Market on Saturday, March 4th. A tea has been arranged for April 14th.

Chi Rho Fellowship and A.Y.P.A.:

Both groups burst into print during the past month and produced two excellent publications. The A.Y. "Trinity Times" will appear at convenient intervals in the future. The Chi Rho magazine was circulated to every Chi Rho Branch throughout Canada. Both groups enjoyed movies at a recent Fireside Hour. The A.Y. entertained all South Side Young People's groups recently.

Young Women's Fellowship:

Plans are made for a Spring Bazaar on May 3rd.

Parish Visitation:

We would like to commend all who took part in the recent Parish Visitation, and all who received the Visitors so kindly on such cold Sunday afternoons. The Visitation was an outstanding success in every way.

Boy Scouts-Girl Guides:

The annual Parade Service of Scouts, Cubs, Guides and Brownies from all South Side troops took place on February 19th and was by far the best attended parade service we have held. Our thanks to all the leaders who made this possible. Canon Nainby was invested with a Chaplain's badge at this service.

ST. PAUL'S

The Rev. G. D. Kelly

Our annual meeting was of great inspiration to all. Every report showed the whole hearted co-operation and success of each organization. The newly elected vestry consists of the following members:

Mr. J. Green, Mr. W. H. Kent, Mr. W. E. Frame, Mr. R. Davidson, Mr. M. Verge, Mr. S. Fermor, Mr. R. Albright, Mr. R. Cook, R. L. Kuittem, Mr. R. Whittaker, Mr. C. Hawkins,

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Mr. E. Cruikshank, Mr. H. P. Brown. Mr. S. Fermor is envelope secretary. Lay delegates to the synod are Mr. W. E. Frame and Mr. H. P. Brown.

Now that the warmer weather is here progress on the church is much more rapid. With two large scaffoldings the men are now able to complete the linings of the ceilings and upper walls. Work parties are endeavoring to finish these areas within a two week period. Various men are busy throughout the whole day.

The Men's Club recently elected officers. The President is Mr. H. P. Brown; Secretary Mr. S. Fermor and Treasurer Mr. B. Albright.

Confirmation classes are being held on Wednesday evenings.

A Junior Choir award, a sterling silver cross, is given each month to the best member. The February winner was June Leitch.

On February 19 a Parade was held for the Guides, Brownies, Scouts and Cubs. There was a very good attendance by all members of the packs. It is very gratifying to see so many out at these special services.

Baptisms: John E. C. Farina, Reginald R. Warren.

Burials: Mr. C. D. Ayling.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

The Rev. W. E. Harrison

Building Sunday, which has become a tradition at St. John's was observed on January 22 and forty volunteers visited the families in the Parish, aiding greatly in the administrative work.

This month saw the formation of our A.Y.P.A. There are now twelve members and the executive comprises: President, Miss Joan Syrett; Vice-President, Mr. Harold Aldridge; and Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Lillian Gould.

On February 14th the members of the WA held a successful Valentine Tea at the home of Mrs. Driscoll.

The evening of the same day all Anglican patients at the Charles Cammell Hospital were visited by members of the Evening Branch of the WA.

One of the plans for Lent to which we are looking forward is the visit to the Parish on March 5th of the Rev. F. R. Gartrell, rector of St. George's Church, Winnipeg, who will be in the City that week as preacher at the Noonday Lenten Services.

ST. MARK'S

The Rev. Canon A. Elliott

Much interest was shown in the Annual Meeting of the Church and other organizations during the latter part of January. The prospect of a new Hall basement with its added room and comfort gave general satisfaction. It is the wish of all that the basement be started and finished in the Spring. Contributions are still needed and will be a great help in speeding up the work.

Some changes were made in the personnel of Vestry and of the two groups of WA.

Wardens of the Church are M. C. Seabrook and L. W. Dunwald, Rector and People's Warden respectively.

Vestry—H. S. Bromley, A. B. Johns, James A. Ross, L. P. Green, L. Westgate, A. A. Keen and as representing the WA Mrs. W. Fleming and Mrs. C. T. Jellison. The meeting expressed their appreciation of the work of Mr. H. S. Bromley for his many years service as Warden and Sunday School Superintendent.

Mrs. Fleming is President of the Afternoon Group WA; Mrs. C. D. Brown, Vice-President, while in the Evening Group Mrs. Westgate continues as President and Mrs. J. Jackson, Vice-President.

Confirmation Classes are now being held for the young people and children at 7:00 p.m. Monday and 4:15 on Tuesday. Arrangements are being made for others.

Lenten Services will be held each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at St. Mark's as usual and our people are reminded of the daily services at noon, 12:15 in the Cathedral during the whole of Lent.

A very successful Tea was held in the Parish Hall on Thursday, 16th February sponsored by the Afternoon Group of WA. It was good to welcome members from the Cathedral and from Christ Church.

We welcome our new Organist and Choirmaster Mr. J. A. White who takes over as from 19th February. Our sincere thanks goes to those who have helped us at the Organ meanwhile Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Cooper and one who has been with us many times in the person of Mrs. H. C. Dodd.



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By the time this magazine is in print, we shall be well into the season of Lent, and we would urge all who have not yet done so to attend the mid-day Services being held in All Saints Cathedral each day at 12:15 to 12:40 Monday to Friday, also to strive to make a good Lent, and by that we mean, more regular attendance at Services and a greater effort to come closer to God, to know more of His Will for us, and to seek to serve Him more faithfully in the forwarding of His Kingdom here on earth.

January was a very cold month, and attendance at the various Services and meetings suffered in consequence, but not quite as much as one might have expected, for which we are indeed grateful.

The Evening Group of the W.A. held their Annual meeting and election of officers on Monday, January 23rd at the home of Mrs. A. Laver. Mrs. H. Bradley was returned to office as President as was Miss F. Beeby to the office of Vice-President. Miss Olive Jones was elected Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. A. Lea as Living Message Secretary and Mrs. A. Laver as Flower Fund Secretary. Re-elected as leaders of the G.A. were Mrs. Don Clark and Miss Olive Jones. Mrs. Cornborough and Mrs. D. Murray were elected as leaders of the J.W.A., while Mrs. J. Bradley was re-elected to the office of Little Helpers Sec.

Several members of both W.A.'s attended the reception at Holy Trinity Parish Hall in honor of Miss Frances Gray, on January 13th and also visited All Saints Parish Hall for the showing of the slides on the Study Book "Dawn Over Japan." A few of our members have been confined to hospitals or home on account of sickness and we wish them a very speedy recovery. Among the more serious cases are Mrs. F. Clark, and Mrs. F. Coles.

Missionary Sunday was observed on January 29th. The Services were very well attended, but the highlight was in the evening when a Club Service was held and the Church was filled with the members of our various organizations. Five members were admitted to the Evening branch of the W.A., and 22 Junior W.A. girls were admitted and received their membership cards and some of them received pins. What a grand sight it was to see those youngsters in their uniforms and "beanies." The Vicar is pleased to note that the Spiritual side of our work is being stressed in our various organizations, with the result we note a gradual increase in numbers attending Services.

The A.Y.P.A. held a Whist Drive in the Parish Hall on Friday, May 20th, but owing to a clash of dates there was not a large number out. However another is planned for Shrove Tuesday and we hope for better results. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Marion Woodroffe, one of our members, bereaved by the sudden passing of her father.

The Corporate Communion was held on the 1st Sunday in the Month, with breakfast following in the Parish Hall. The attendance was fairly good, but could still be better.

The Men's Club have met every two weeks in the Parish Hall, on the 2nd Wednesday for business meeting and on the 4th Friday for a recreational program. We are small in numbers as yet but quite keen and hope for several more to join us.

The Altar Guild held a very successful tea and sale of candy in the Vicarage on the Evening of St. Valentine's Day. Mrs. Clark, the President was unable to be present on account of ill-health. Some 60 people called. The material for the new green Altar hangings has arrived, and work will begin on them shortly, so that they will be ready when needed. It is our hope to purchase a number of badly needed prayer books for the Church in the near future.

Baptisms: Feb. 5, Susan Elizabeth Mary Jones. Feb. 14th, Teresa Joy Chadwick. Feb. 5th, Maureen Elaine Crook.

Burial: Jan. 21st, John Woodroffe.

ST. MARY'S

Rev. W. T. Elkin

The Annual Congregational Meeting was held in January, when the following officers were elected: Rector's Warden, H. J. Cuff; People's Warden, Kenneth King, Vestrymen; C. F. Bannard, John Barford, George Clark, Sidney Jeffels, Hubert Holingworth, Stewart Harknett, Paul Mapplebeck, Eric Marsh, Frank Pratley, Arthur Potter, Leonard Suss and John Warner. Lay delegates to synod: Wilbur Scott, C. F. Bannard and Paul Mapplebeck. Appointments: Financial Advisor, R. T. Williams; Envelope Secretary, T. M. White; Vestry Clerk, Arthur Cooke.

By the time these notes are in print the Lenten season will be well advanced, but we are giving the full list of services at this time. On Sunday mornings throughout Lent, the Rector will preach a series of sermons on "The Creed," while for evening services a special exchange has been arranged, as follows: Feb. 26th The Rev. G. D. Kelly; Mar. 5th, The Rev. L. M. Watts; Mar. 12th, The Rev. Chas. Wolff; Mar. 19th, The Very Rev. G. B. Snell, Dean of Calgary; Mar. 26th, The Rev. W. Harrison. In addition to these Sunday

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services, there will be a mid-week service held each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

The Men's Club have arranged special Lenten programs, to which all men in the parish are invited. Here are the dates and speakers: Monday, Mar. 6th, The Rev. F. R. Gartrell of St. Georges' Church, Winnipeg; Monday, Mar. 27th, The Rev. H. G. Watts, Field Secretary, M.S.C.C. Toronto; Monday April 3rd, The Very Rev. C. Swanson, Dean of Christ Church Cathedral, Vancouver.

A number of our Sunday School teachers took advantage of the Teacher Training course offered by the Rev. F. A. Peake, Western Secretary of the G.B.R.E. during the early part of February. By the time these notes appear in print we hope that four of our teachers will have written the examination on the course.

The Afternoon Group of the W.A. held their annual meeting in the Parish Hall on Jan. 23rd, with the Rev. W. T. Elkin presiding. Officers were elected as follows: Hon. Presidents, Mrs. W. T. Elkin, Mrs. M. Derbyshire and Mrs. A. Glazier; President, Mrs. H. Downey; First Vice-President, Mrs. W. F. Croft; Second Vice-President, Mrs. C. Robinson; Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Carter; Treasurer, Mrs. T. C. Gittins; Junior's Superintendent, Mrs. A. Potter; Dorcas, Mrs. W. F. Croft; Needlework Convener, Mrs. G. Clark; Social Service, Mrs. K. McDowell; U.T.O. and E.C.D., Mrs. E. Bradshaw; Flower Fund, Mrs. M. Brown; Educational Secretary, Mrs. G. Martin; Hospital Visitors, Mrs. W. S. Kent, Mrs. R. Evans; Camsell Hospital Visitor, Mrs. C. Baines; Tea Convener, Mrs. H. Burden; Parish Visitor, Mrs. E. H. Palister.

One of the highlights of the year for members of the Junior W.A. was held in February, when the annual Mother and Daughter Banquet took place. Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Tackaberry and Mrs. Wilson were guest speakers, and Mrs. Croft presented ten award pins from the Afternoon Group of the W.A. Several of the Juniors entertained their mothers in a short program, and Miss Ruth Douglas led a sing-song. Catering for the event was done by the Evening Group of the W.A.

In concluding the notes for this month, we would like to welcome a very new member to our congregation, and extend congratulations to the Rector and Mrs. Elkin on the arrival of a very fine son, William Ferris, on Feb. 1st.

ST. STEPHEN'S

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Rev. C. E. F. Wolff

The annual meeting of the parishioners was held on Jan. 31st. The

weather was not too good but we had the best attendance for some years. All reports showed considerable progress in the various activities of the parish. The Churchwardens reported the highest income for 24 years.

The following officers were appointed and elected for 1950:

Rector's Warden—Mr. J. C. Slater (re-appointed).

People's Warden—Mr. B. Woolman (re-elected).

The Vestry—Messrs. A. C. Ballantine, R. J. Paice, T. F. Swallow, J. R. Watson, T. J. Jones, G. G. L. Moore, E. S. Cooper, J. H. Solly, J. G. Clarke, A. C. Russell, J. H. Brown and M. T. Hirst.

Lay Delegates to Synod—Messrs. R. J. Paice, T. F. Swallow and H. L. Weir, O.B.E.

Parish Auditor—Mr. T. F. Swallow.

The reports of the W.A. and the Altar Guild annual meetings, with the names of their respective officers, were printed in the February Churchman.

The A.Y.P.A. have completed their project of redecorating the hall kitchen. It looks very nice. But when are we going to start on the main hall?

By the time these notes appear we shall be well into Lent. During this Lent the Rector has arranged to exchange with several of the Edmonton priests on the Sunday evenings. Will you kindly note the preachers for the following Sunday evenings: March 12th. The Rev. W. E. Harrison; March 19th. The Rev. G. W. Wilson; March 26th. The Rev. W. T. Elkin; April 2nd. The Rector.

On Sunday morning, March 19th, Mothering Sunday, we shall be pleased to welcome the Very Rev. and G. B. Snell, Ph.D., D.D., to St. Stephen's. Dean Snell will preach at this service.

We are glad to report that several of our people are making a good recovery from recent illness. We hope that by the time these notes appear, Mr. Ballantine, our organist, will have been able to resume his duties.

ST. MICHAEL'S and ALL ANGELS

The undermentioned are the elected officers of Saint Michael's and All Angels Church:

Rector's Warden, Mr. S. A. Noble.

People's Warden, Mr. W. J. Harrow.

Vestry, Mr. H. W. Mitchell, Mr. D. Clarke, Mr. R. E. Smith, Mr. A. H. Harke, Mr. A. Green, Mr. C. J. Adams, Mrs. H. W. Mitchell, Mrs. D. Clarke, Mrs. J. S. Phillips.

Delegate to Synod, Mr. W. J. Harrow. **Substitute**, Mr. S. A. Noble. **Auditor**, Mr. E. A. Goodenough. **Organist**, Mrs. O. Byers, **Altar**

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Church Activities, Choir Practice on Tuesday. Choir had a St. Valentines Social evening followed by a bean supper.

Plans are in the making to form a Men's Club which will comprise of cribbage, whist and bridge tournaments.

Women's Auxiliary Officers are as follows: Hon. Pres., Mrs. G. S. Phillips; Vice-Pres., Mrs. O. Byers; President, Mrs. D. Clarke; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. Currey; Dorcess, Mrs. E. Preston; Educationist, Mrs. R. Dando.

ST. FAITH'S CHURCH

Rev. L. M. Watts
Rev. G. W. Wilson

January, cold weather and annual meetings, seem to go together as naturally as apple pie and cheddar cheese. In spite of the bitter weather all regular and special church services, annual meetings and extra activities were more than well attended. At Martins on January 22nd. The Margaret Clough Memorial Pew was dedicated by the Rector, the Ven. Archdeacon Clough was guest preacher.

During the week of Prayer held in this district January 16th to 20th, the Rev. L. M. Watts gave the address at the Salvation Army Service the evening of January 17th, and the Rev. R. R. Hinchey, of Erskine United was guest speaker at St. Faith's, January 19th.

On one of the coldest evenings in January—the 23rd—the Annual Congregational Meeting was held. Reports from all departments and organizations showed increases, in communicant Sunday School pupils, members in W.A. branches and in the funds of all treasurer's reports. Mr. J. Cleveley is again Rector's Warden, and Mr. D. C. Adams was unanimously re-elected as People's Warden with Mr. Walter Melnyk elected as assistant treasurer. Members of the 1950 Vestry are—Mrs. W. Pattison; Miss E. Riddell; Messrs. G. Constable; V. Young; P. A. Fairbrother; Dave Cleveley; D. R. W. Mason; G. E. Goddard; C. Thompson; T. Mattison; E. Currey; H. T. S. Parlee. Envelope Secretary, J. Carter assisted by H. Parlee. Lay Delegates to the Synod: J. Carter; H. Parlee; tD. Mason; J. Cleveley; with alternates: G. Constable; E. Currey; C. Thompson; P. A. Fairbrother. Auditors: W. B. Roberts and C. Thompson. A vote of thanks was moved to Mrs. V. Young for her long and faithful service as church organist.

The Sanctuary Guild held their Annual Meeting January 31st, when

Mrs. W. J. Greene was again returned as president and Mrs. M. O. Mutter as secretary-treasurer.

A joint installation of Afternoon and Evening Group W.A. Officers took place at the Evening Service on January 29th. Later, in the Parish Hall, the members of the Afternoon Group were the guests of the Evening Group at a social. Mrs. R. Barson sang and Miss E. Kenway played a violin solo, both were accompanied by Mrs. V. Young. A list of Evening Group officers has already been published, the following were installed for the Afternoon W.A.: Mrs. E. Currey, president; Mrs. W. Pattison, first vice-president; Mrs. J. W. Brown, second vice-president; Mrs. T. Matheson, secretary; Mrs. G. Jackson, treasurer; G.A. Miss Mary Whyte; Junior Leader, Mrs. G. W. Wilson; E.C.D. secretary, Mrs. G. Potter; U.T.O., Mrs. R. Hargreaves; press reporter, Mrs. S. Lee; education secretary, Mrs. D. R. Mason; living message, Mrs. R. Hughes; Hospital visiting, Mrs. H. Sanders and Mrs. T. Coles; Prayer partner, Mrs. H. Parlee; tea convener, Mrs. C. Field; Dorcas, Mrs. H. Davies and Pianist, Mrs. Brown.

At Evensong on February 5th, the young people of the district, members of the I.Y.P.U. attended service and a Fireside later in the Parish Hall. The Rev. J. P. McRae, of Delton Baptist Church, was the special speaker at the Fireside.

Teacher training classes were conducted by the Rev. F. A. Peake on February 6th and 7th. All Anglican Sunday School Teachers and others interested, in this part of the city, attended.

Junior Auxiliary members held a most enjoyable, and long looked forward to Valentine Party. Mrs. Walter Miller has undertaken the leadership of this group, assisted by Miss Lorraine Blair and Miss Tory Whyte.

The Evening Group W.A. have made plans for a number of events during 1950. Bazaar sewing is already underway and donations are asked for a Rummage sale to be held in April. On January 17th, the annual "President's Party" was held. Mrs. F. S. Varlow, retiring president, entertained the members at a theatre party and later at her home, were a buffet supper was enjoyed. The furnishing of the Rector's office, undertaken by the group, is almost completed. Added to the furniture already installed are the following—a book case donated by Mr. and Mrs. V. Young, the work being done by Mr. Young. An office table, given by Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Varlow and two hostess chairs donated by Miss E. Riddell and Mr. and Mrs. F. Young. A plate glass top for the desk has been bought by the group.

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Rev. W. W. Buxton

Owing to the very cold weather and being unable to heat the church to a comfortable temperature several services during January were cancelled.

Despite a very cold night the annual congregational supper and meeting was well attended. Splendid reports were received from the W.A. and Sunday School.

Dr. T. W. E. Henry again accepted the appointment as Rector's Warden and Mr. H. W. Wensley was re-elected people's warden. Those elected to the vestry were: Messrs. Fowler, J. P. Wiebe, E. Baron, H. Thomlinson, J. Luuul, A. B. Dawson, B. P. Knowles, J. Kitching, A. Stan-nard, H. Brenton, C. D. Jacon, C. R. W. Mager and Mrs. C. P. Brabbins.

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ALL SAINTS, DRAYTON VALLEY

Christmas weather at Drayton Valley was as cold as anywhere else. But it didn't chill the spirits of children who went bravely forth on Christmas Eve singing carols from door to door doing their bit to bring the spirit of Christmas to each household in the Valley. Christmas Eve a few of the braver came out to the Candlelighting service for which the Church had been suitably decorated with Spruce trees by the boys in the afternoon. A Carol Service was held on Christmas morning. We were very glad to welcome Mrs. Thompson to our midst who was staying with Miss Cording over the Christmas holidays.

In spite of the cold weather the children came out to their Christmas party and enjoyed every bit of it.

On Wednesday, December 28th the W.A. held their social evening. Everybody enjoying themselves very much. Owing to cold weather only half of the people were able to get there.

We were very pleased to have Rev. G. A. Robinson from Edson come on New Year's Day to take our Christmas Communion service for us.

We hope that it will be warmer next month so that more of our people may join us in this service.

We were honored by a visit from our Bishop when he drove, in spite of all the cold weather, from Edmonton on New Year's Day to take a service Commissioning Miss Cording to work in this Parish.

The Bishop stressed the importance of prayer in our lives, the importance of family in our homes.

We were very pleased that he brought along with him Miss Francis Gray and delighted that she could

Rev. Buxton thanked all those who had assisted him during the past year and hoped that we would continue to work together in unity with one goal in mind to finish the erection of the new church.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LEDUC

Archdeacon Clough is in charge of the services held every second Sunday. The W.A. met at the home of Mrs. E. O. Wilkinson with six members present.

Mrs. Dickson read an article on Japan. The Dorcas bale was accepted. The next meeting will be held at the home of the President Mrs. C. T. Dickson. The officers for 1950 are: President, Mrs. C. T. Dickson; Vice-President, Miss A. Simpson; Secretary, Mrs. E. O. Wilkinson; Treasurer, Mrs. F. Pow.

stay for a few days with us before going back to her work.

Violet Grave:

The Sunday School had its Christmas Party on Dec. 26th. In spite of cold weather conditions and a low temperature the children and their parents were nearly all out and we hope they all enjoyed the program.

We owe a vote of thanks to the ladies who did so much to make our party a success and served such a lovely lunch.

Baptisms: Frederick Bradley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bradley, Jan. 2nd, 1950.

ST. LUKE'S CLYDE

The Annual Meeting of St. Luke's Church was held Jan. 29th. Mr. Bob Armstrong was elected as Peoples Warden in place of Mr. Groombridge who retired after 14 years in that office. Bob was keenly interested in Church work at St. George's, Trenton, Ont. before coming to Clyde and is a great acquisition to St. Luke's.

Elected to Vestry—Mr. Mealing, Mr. Bob Knight, Mr. J. H. Fry, Mr. Armstrong, A. W. Nelson, Mrs. MacLachlan and Mrs. Groombridge. Mr. Browne thanked the congregation and especially the W.A. for their splendid support during the years.

Due to the extremely cold weather the January meeting of the W.A. was very sparsely attended and election of officers was left over until the February meeting when it is hoped more members will be present. In the meantime the ladies are busy making a quilt and enjoying themselves while so doing. Feb. 12th Bishop Barfoot visited St. Luke's and confirmed two girls: Jean MacLachlan and Violet Allen. Quite a large con-

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gregation turned out for the occasion. The service was very impressive and the Bishop's address was listened to with great attention especially by the young people.

Following the service a reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong where the people had a chance to visit and enjoy a social hour with our Bishop before he left on his return journey to Edmonton. Members of the W.A. served lunch. A very happy time came all too quickly to an end.

The regular Feb. meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. Campbell. Feb. 14th arrangements were made to hold a bake sale and also to serve lunch at the Whist drive which the Vestry are planning for in the near future. Some plans were made for an affair around Easter time.

ST. CATHERINES, EDSON

The Corporate Communion for the W.A., on the 2nd Sunday of each month, is to be resumed this year.

Rev. J. G. Gardiner, who went to Toronto last month, is expected back this week.

Our Annual Congregational meeting was held on Sunday, Jan. 29th after Evensong, and was very well attended. Mr. E. H. Tucker voiced the feelings of the parish in a brief appreciation of an exceptional year in its life under the ministrations of our three clergy. Rev. H. W. Buchner, who was in the Chair, appointed Mr. D. Buck as Vicar's Warden. Mr. E. H. Tucker was again unanimously acclaimed as People's Warden. Reports from Church organizations, and from the Sunday School were read and approved. The Vestry for this year is as follows: Mr. F. Wilson, Mr. Hague, Mr. B. West, Mr. W. Dobing, Mr. A. Harrison, Mr. B. Marshall; Mrs. LeMottee, Mrs. L. Wilson, Mrs. Laurence, and Miss K. Barker.

Refreshments were served following the meeting.

Baptism: Hetha Gail Wellington, daughter of W. McC. and Mrs. Wellington, at Luscar on February 5th.

Marriages: Thomas Henry Harding of High Prairie to Velve Harriet Daniel of Entwistle in St. Paul's Church, Evansburg, on Jan. 26th.

ST. MARY AND ST. GEORGE, JASPER

The Rev. T. C. B. Boon

The Bishop will be in Jasper on March 30th to hold a Confirmation Service at 8 o'clock in the Evening. This is a Thursday, and we should like all members of the congregation to reserve this date. We expect to have the heating plant of the Church in full working order and to be hold-

ing Services regularly in the Church before that time.

The Vestry met on February 7th and discussed fully the overhauling of the heating system of the Church. The broken section of the boiler is to be replaced and temporary repairs made which will carry us through till summer when it is hoped to make certain alterations which will greatly improve the circulation system and protect the boiler under all circumstances. The "One day's pay" campaign is not yet completed, but there has been a splendid response so far. Mr. C. E. Hudson was appointed as Treasurer of the Parish. It was reported at this meeting of the Vestry that a Parish Guild had been formed with Mrs. G. W. Skett Senior, as President; Mrs. H. O. Church, Vice-President; Mrs. R. Douglas, Secretary; Mrs. H. R. Sullivan, Treasurer; with the object of assisting the Vestry financially, and that several projects were underway for this purpose. Mr. Curry and Mr. Hudson were appointed by the Vestry to act as liaison officers between the Vestry and the Guild.

We are very glad to have Mrs. W. R. Melia back with us in the Sunday School where she has taken over the senior class which Mrs. Baxter had to give up for health reasons.

The members of the E.B.W.A. are working hard towards their Easter Tea and Sale of Work which will be held in the Parish Hall on Saturday, April 8th. Donations towards the Sale of Work and Bake Table will be appreciated. The E.B.W.A. have also planned a series of Afternoon Teas to be held on the first Thursday of each month at the various homes of the members; the first of these will be held at the home of the President, Mrs. Crowther, on March 2nd and Mrs. Howard Merryweather will be joint hostesses, all ladies of the Church are cordially invited to be present.

Through the kindness of Miss Elsie C. Hudson of Midland, Ont., the Church has received two autographed letters written by Nurse Edith Cavell from Brussels in 1909. The tower of the Church was built as a memorial to Edith Cavell and the Visitors Book in the Church bears her words "Patriotism is not enough, I must have not hatred or bitterness toward anyone." We are glad, therefore, to have these personal momentos of Nurse Cavell in the keeping of the Church.

Wedding: Feb. 3rd, Arthur Walter Esslinger of Jasper to Louise Marie Ablett of Onoway.

ST. MARY'S, BARRHEAD

Rev. D. V. A. Browne

The postponed annual meeting was eventually held on Feb. 5th following the evening service. Mr. A. E. Goode,

secretary of the Vestry, could not be present due to the illness of his wife. We hope that she will soon be fully recovered from her illness. Mr. W. Johnston acted as secretary in Mr. Goode's place. The reports from different organizations in the Parish were very encouraging and showed a most active year and we hope that 1950 will be as encouraging as 1949. The officers for 1950 are as follows: People's Warden and Treasurer, Mr. E. G. Hooper. The Vestry: Messrs. W. Johnston, T. Weekes, A. E. Goode, F. Pringle, L. Summerfeld, B. B. Hanson; Mesdames: D. G. Taylor, G. Slaughter and A. MacKenzie. Delegates to Synod: Messrs. A. E. Goode and B. B. Hanson.

On Sunday, Feb. 12th we were very pleased to welcome our Bishop, who was the celebrant at the Holy Communion Service. As usual the Church was filled to capacity for his visit.

Burial: Jan. 20th, Frederick Henry Koch in Barrhead cemetery.

ST. PHILIP'S, WESTLOCK

The annual meeting of St. Philip's Church was held on Jan. 16th in the Parish Hall. Encouraging reports of church activities were given by the different organizations. A great deal was accomplished during the year 1949. A junior choir has been organized also an instructive and interesting Sunday School under the supervision of Mr. W. H. Brace assisted by Mrs. A. Robertson and Mrs. P. Conkin as teachers. A request was made for a cabinet for Sunday School supplies and this was kindly supplied by Mr. Walter Burchett. Now we hope that someone will donate curtains or screens for the various classrooms. Water and sewerage has been put into the Vicarage. The officers for 1950 are as follows: Vicar's Warden, Mr. W. H. Brace; People's Warden, Mr. J. W. Cowley, re-elected unanimously for the third time. Much credit was given Mr. Cowley who carried the burden of both offices since August after the departure of Dr. S. H. Sardis to Victoria, B.C. The Vestry: Messrs. A. Horrocks, E. Stanton, I. Abernethy, S. Richards; Mesdames R. Green, A. Robertson and E. Stanton.

Our Bishop visited the Parish on Sunday, Feb. 12th. His visit and sermons are always looked forward to and well attended. The Bishop was very pleased to note the addition of a Junior choir for the services. New

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Hymn and Prayer Books were dedicated by the Bishop. They were donated to the Church by Mrs. I. Nelson in memory of her mother. Supper was served at 5:00 p.m. in the re-decorated and completely furnished Parish Hall by the members of the Ladies' Guild in honor of the Bishop and it was also intended to enable him to meet the Vestry members and the parishioners. After the repast, Dr. Barfoot, thanked the Guild for their good supper and remarked that it resembled the "Love Feast of early Christian times."

Holy Trinity, Dapp

Burial: On Jan. 24th, Katherine Florence Spriggs in Dapp cemetery.

Christ Church, Jarvie

The annual congregational meeting was held in the church on Feb. 7th after a service of Evening Prayer. The annual church report was read by Mr. J. Ledger and the W.A. report by Mrs. S. Johnson. The W.A. financial report showed a balance of \$387.55 after assisting the work of the church in Jarvie considerably during the year 1949. With this balance the ladies are planning to have considerable repair work done to the church in 1950.

The officers for 1950 are as follows: Vicar's Warden, Mr. H. Johnson; People's Warden, Mr. J. Ledger. The Vestry: Messrs. J. Trickett, S. Johnson, L. Johnson, R. Beamish and Mrs. L. Garth.

The February meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. P. French with eight members present.

The following ladies were elected to office: President, Mrs. L. Garth; Vice-President, Mrs. H. Johnson; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. S. Johnson; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. J. Trickett; E.C.A.A. Secretary, Mrs. L. Garth.

We feel certain that with this slate of officers a successful year is assured.

Rural Deanery of Vermilion

ST. SAVIOUR'S, VERMILION

Canon T. W. Teape

The number of suggested plans for a new church and a new parish hall continues to grow. However, a local contractor has disposed of a certain number of these plans by pointing out that the walls of the present church bulge, and it is his opinion that to move the church on to another foundation would be out of the question. By the time these lines are in print the Vestry may have looked at two new churches in other parts of the Diocese, and it may have held

ONOWAY AND WABAMUN MISSIONS

Canon J. C. Matthews

We have been struggling to hold the Annual Meetings against the opposition of the cold weather—with some success but I think the honors go to the thermometer.

At the Annual Meeting in Onoway Mr. Jared Turnbull was appointed Rector's Warden and Mr. Sydney Kettle was elected People's Warden. Last year's Vestry was re-elected. It was decided at the meeting to wire the church for electricity. When this is done the hope is to have some evening services.

The Games Committee has held a number of Whist Drives the last one before Lent will be on Shrove Tuesday when pancakes will be served. The lunches have been provided by different people always with a most generous allowance.

Many thanks to Mr. Reiner for a load of wood for the Vicarage.

Some fire wood for the Parish Hall would be a very welcome gift from one of our farmer friends.

At the Annual Meeting at Duffield Mr. T. N. Rowe was appointed Rector's Warden and Mr. H. F. Rowe was elected People's Warden. The following were elected on the Vestry:

Messrs. Arthur Tyrrell, George Tyrrell, D. Tyrrell, Bert Porter, Walter Porter, J. Kirby, H. Tyrrell, Ted Luckett and Mrs. Luckett, Mrs. Arthur Tyrrell, Mrs. Dot Tyrrell.

Mr. Harry Tyrrell was elected Lay-Delegate.

The finances were all in good shape—no debts and a balance in hand.

It was decided to send a letter to the Rev. R. S. Faulks to thank him for the gift of the Missal and for bringing St. Peter's choir for the Duffield Harvest Thanksgiving.

A vote of thanks was passed expressing the appreciation of the congregation for the hospitality which has been offered so frequently by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tyrrell.

two meetings to discuss plans. The plot thickens and we hope to have something really exciting to report soon.

One result of the Annual Meeting is that we have a new member on the Vestry in the person of Mr. Billie Pilkie. Everyone in Vermilion looks up to him, and besides that he is not the sort of person who readily stoops to anything low (for the simple reason that it is such a long way down). His abounding good humor and common sense are bound to contribute much to our executive body.

No one seems to pay much attention to the list of Sidesmen on the notice board at the back of the church. From now on the Rector will try to remember to phone those who are on duty. Those who act in this capacity should be in the church at least twenty-five minutes before the service begins.

We were very pleased to welcome a dozen members of the I.O.D.E. to a recent Evensong. Their interest in matters vital to the welfare of the community makes them deserving of great praise.

Sunday School:

The Sunday School carried on as usual through the very cold spell, and the attendance was very creditable considering the weather.

There is practically a new slate of teachers, as sickness and trips have depleted the ranks. We are very happy to welcome Mrs. Smeltzer, Mrs. Park, Mrs. Fooks and Mrs. Hart. These new teachers, with Mrs. Adamson and Mrs. Knight, are ample assurance that our Sunday School is in good hands for the remainder of the year.

Our Superintendent, Mrs. Davidson, left us a month ago on a trip to England. We hope that she may enjoy herself thoroughly during her three months in the Old Country. Everyone is sorry to see Ruth Simonsen relinquish her post as a teacher for the time being. For two years or more she has done a very good and a very useful job.

The Junior W.A. of St. Saviour's Church, Vermilion is off to a good start for 1950.

The girls are from seven to eleven years and have a group of 19 mem-

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bers meeting each Monday after school in the Parish Hall.

At the election of officers Margaret Pockett was elected president, Marlene McDonald, secretary and Karen Barwick, treasurer.

Despite the severe cold an average of 14 members were present at each meeting.

Plans are made for the 1950 program which includes study of the Japanese home and life, in story book form, coloring and cut-out books and a Japanese tea party.

Under the joint leadership of Mrs. R. Robinson and Mrs. J. Nicholls the girls are being taught sewing and are at present working enthusiastically on layettes for the missionary fields.

Many have won their stripes and others are working towards same. Twelve girls have already qualified for their W.A. uniforms.

Happy Hour Group Report:

Our average attendance is indeed high these days, and the prospective hostesses are busy doing mental arithmetic in order to find out if they can squeeze us all in for a meeting. A Parish Hall would solve the problem for us very nicely.

We are planning a Home Cooking Sale for March; and a Bazaar and Tea in May. We have also changed our meeting night to Thursday. Too many husbands have meetings on Tuesday nights.

Our last meeting, at the home of Mrs. Keith Inman, dealt mainly with arrangements for the Men's Curling Club Banquet on Feb. 21st. The Senior W.A. is catering again this year; with our assistance.

Members of the Afternoon Branch of St. Saviour's W.A. Vermilion opened their first meeting of the year with special prayer for the blessing of Almighty God on their work and worship during 1950.

They catered for a dinner and held a Strawberry Tea and Sale of Home Cooking.

They also held a special meeting to make arrangements for a Curling Banquet to entertain Curlers during the forthcoming Bonspiel.

ST. GEORGE'S, MARWAYNE

The Rev. R. T. Cathart

Weather and the condition of the roads between Clondonald and Marwayne have made it impossible to hold regular services.

The Rev. B. Richards of the United Church was called upon at the last minute to officiate at the funeral of Mrs. Gammer. The sympathy of the whole congregation going out to Mr. Gammer and family in their bereavement.

A pre-Lenten Tea held in the Drug Store was a great success for the W.A. About 100 visitors enjoyed the dainty service.

The congregation has been asked to study "Why I am Anglican," by the late Archbishop Williams. It costs 10c.

Confirmation candidates are progressing in their work ready for the Bishop's visit in May.

CHRIST CHURCH, MANNVILLE

The Rev. V. P. Cole

Everyone was delighted to see Mrs. Bell again during her brief visit on Feb. 15th. Mrs. Rutherford graciously entertained the ladies of the Parish at a tea in Mrs. Bell's honor, and all present were very interested in her description of life in the north.

The reports of the President and Secretary-Treasurer at the Annual Meeting of the W.A. showed a very active and profitable year. The election of officers for the ensuing year returned last year's officers to their same duties, with the exception of the post of Little Helpers' Secretary, which office was accepted by Kathleen Sutton.

At the February Meeting the members of the W.A. were very pleased to welcome two new members, in the persons of Mrs. J. Coxford and Mrs. J. I. Jones. We were also very pleased to welcome Mrs. J. L. Johnstone back to the fold.

The W.A. again catered to the Lady-Curlers Banquet, and from all reports the W.A. members are still past masters of the Culinary Arts.

Wedding: On January 18th, Walter Raymond Jackson to Margaret Helen Sutton.

BLACKFOOT

The W.A. Annual Meeting was held at the home of Mrs. C. A. Haight on Jan. 4th. Officers are as follows: President, Mrs. C. A. Haight; Vice-President, Mrs. H. E. Davies; Secretary, Mrs. R. Anthony; Dorcas Secretary, Mrs. F. George; Educational Secretary, Mrs. E. Hoffman.

We miss Mrs. Springford one of our oldest members, she having been on the sick list, most of the winter, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. K. Taylor in Lloydminster.

The Feb. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. R. Anthony with seven present. Work was handed out for the bazaar.

**ST. MARY THE VIRGIN
VEGREVILLE**

The Rev. H. G. Brant

Probably, the major item to be reported in this issue of The Edmonton Churchman is the annual meeting of the Parish of St. Mary the Virgin, Vegreville. The Annual Meeting was held in the Nave of the Church for want of some other suitable location which we still do not have—like a

Parish Hall, for instance. Evensong was recited at 8:00 p.m. and then the meeting got under way with the Vicar in the Chair. The attendance at this meeting was quite poor. It has been noted by the writer, (he hopes correctly), that the Parish of Wetas-kiwin enjoyed a sumptuous parochial dinner either before or after the annual meeting. Naturally, the attendance was comparatively astronomical! Could it be that the way to a man's soul should be routed in parallel to the traditional way to his heart?—viz. his stomach? But the writer thinks it is not so much the food as the fellowship.

However, lacking food, Parish Hall and consequently fellowship (numerically that is) the meeting, as aforesaid, "got under way." Mrs. A. Gudmundson, the Vestry's Secretary and elected member, read the minutes of the previous annual meeting. After the various reports were received, the Vicar appointed Mr. T. M. Bennett as the Vicar's Warden for another year, and Mr. George Warren was re-elected Peoples' Warden for 1950. The members of the Vestry elected were:

Messrs. A. Gudmundson, George Kuwata, J. Nicholson, W. S. Walden, C. Hayter; Mesdames A. Gudmundson, J. Nicholson, F. Dunn, R. Hayter.

There is a traditional custom in the Parish of St. Mary's Vegreville whereby the President of the W.A. is ex officio a member of the Vestry. Mrs. George Warren was elected President of the W.A. for 1950 and is, therefore, an ex officio member of the Vestry.

After the meeting Mrs. A. Gudmundson, assisted by Mesdames R. Hayter and William Turner as co-hostesses, served a delicious lunch in her home.

On Monday evening, Feb. 6th, after Evensong was said, two very interesting films were shown through the kindness of Sgt. J. Rudd. These films were entitled "The Coming of the Light" which was a pictorial lecture on how Christianity came to England; and "Our Heritage," which was an excellent film of a Parish Church in action—that is, we saw a Baptism being administered, a funeral. Matins and Evensong in progress (where the lessons are read), a wedding and also a Sung Eucharist. We were particularly interested in the latter because the setting chanted was Merbecke which is sung in its entirety every second Sunday in St. Mary's.

This coming Sunday, Sexagesima, we plan to have a Scout, Guide, Cub and Brownie parade to St. Mary's. Miss D. Garrison, a teacher in the High School who has devoted much time to Guiding, will address the boys and girls.

Wedding: Raymond Gardiner Boyd to Marion Elizabeth Spak, Jan. 25th, 1950.

W.A.—The W.A. held its election of officers for 1950 late in Dec. The result of the elections is as follows:

President, Mrs. George Warren,

Vice-President, Mrs. William Turner; Secretary, Mrs. D. Hughes; Treasurer, Mrs. J. Nicholson; Living Message Secretary, Mrs. William Turner; Little Helpers' Secretary, Mrs. William McGowan; Sunshine Conventer, Mrs. R. Dunn.

Rural Deanery of Wainwright

ST. THOMAS, WAINWRIGHT

The Rev. R. K. Walters

The annual meeting was attended by a fair number of parishioners. Acting on the advice of a recent church editorial we did not look at our work through rose colored glasses. Therefore, we cannot report that 1949 was the best year in our history of 40 years. We heard of gaps in our defences that must be closed and then fortified. We heard of successes and ground gained that must be held and plans made to advance. The bright feature of all the reports submitted was the growing Sunday School work. We pray that the appeal for men teachers will be answered. The heart of Mr. Tom Lissimore was gladdened when he was able to report that all accounts had been paid in full, and a balance was in the bank. The proposal to build a new rectory created a lively and frank discussion. The problems were faced and finally by unanimous vote the meeting passed a resolution that a financial campaign be commenced with the view of starting building this year. The following were elected to office for 1950:

People's Warden, Mr. T. Lissimore; Rector's Warden, Mr. Oliver Griffiths. Vestry: Mr. C. Coleman, W. Coleman, J. C. Ford, W. Myhren, W. Milner, W. Riome, H. Smart, T. Withnell. W.A. and Park Branch representatives: Mrs. M. Lally and Mrs. J. Humphries. Mr. Smart was later appointed Envelope Secretary. Delegates to Synod: Messrs. Lissimore and Smart. Auditor: Mr. C. Wilbraham.

At the close of the meeting the Park Branch served lunch.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Boyd to our midst as a married couple, they married by the Rev. H. Brant in Vegreville. Mrs. Boyd was the recipient of a gift from the G.A. of which group she is leader.

The Park Branch has made good use of the Parish Hall, they have sponsored three Whist Drives and all were well attended. The parties proved a success socially and financially. On Valentine's Day this same group held a dance and report a good evening.

Tentative plans for the visit of Dr. H. G. Watts include a visit to Wainwright and Irma on Sunday, March

12th. We hope to make this day one of missionary importance.

Our confirmation class includes about 18 young people. Our Bishop will visit us on April 23rd to confirm this class.

Mr. Harold Targett conducted services in the Parish on Feb. 12th during the rector's absence. He is a willing helper and a devoted churchman.

Burials: Mr. William Arkwright.

HOLY TRINITY, TOFIELD

The Rev. E. N. P. Orme

The chief items to be recorded this month are the various Parochial Annual Meetings.

The Senior W.A. held their Annual Meeting in the Church Room on Jan. 19th at 2:30 p.m. with ten members present and the Rector in the chair for the election of officers. Splendid reports were given by the various secretaries of the organization.

Officers for 1950 are as follows:

Honorary President, Mrs. C. Baptist; President, Mrs. W. J. Bailey; Vice-President, Mrs. E. N. P. Orme; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss L. Baptist. Thank-Offering and Living Message Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Robinson; Dorcas and Social Service Secretary, Mrs. Roberts; Prayer Partner and Educational Secretary, Mrs. C. Baptist; Little Helpers' Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Robinson.

The Rector congratulated the group on their achievements during the past year and wished them every blessing and success in 1950.

The Annual Meeting of the W.A. Evening Group took place at the Vicarage on Jan. 27th and the following officers were elected:

Honorary President, Mrs. McCarthy; President, Mrs. H. Pegrum; Vice-President, Mrs. I. Phillips; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. E. Brown; Dorcas and Social Service Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Freebury; Thank Offering Secretary, Mrs. N. Glover; Living Message Secretary, Mrs. E. N. P. Orme; Prayer Partner, Mrs. Coward; Hospital Visitors, Mrs. Phillips and Miss Evans.

The Rector congratulated the group on their success during 1949 and wished the new officers continued success.

The monthly meeting of this group took place at the Vicarage prior to

the Annual Meeting and there were eight members present including two new members.

The Evening Group undertook to clean the church for the month of February—the next meeting to be held at the Vicarage, Feb. 20th.

The Annual Parochial Meeting was held after Evensong on Jan. 29th, with a fair attendance considering the cold weather and drifting roads.

A good financial statement was presented by the Vestry Clerk, Mr. W. Drew; the Senior W.A. report was read by the new president, Mrs. W. J. Bailey, in the absence of the past treasurer, Mrs. H. Borden. This report was encouraging and showed increased receipts.

The W.A. Evening Group was read by Mrs. Orme. This report showed a good start had been made and should prove successful in the future.

Mrs. J. W. Robinson presented her usual well prepared and encouraging report for the Sunday School and Little Helpers.

The Incumbent welcomed several new families into the congregation and thanked all officers and members for their loyalty and hard work during the year with special reference to Mrs. Garford as organist and those who had assisted her.

The officers for 1950 are as follows: Vicar's Warden, Mr. D. G. McCarthy; People's Warden, Mr. F. W. Evans; Vestry Clerk, Mr. W. H. Drew; Vestrymen, J. Secord (Sr.), W. Bellamy, H. Pegrum and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Robinson.

Lay Delegates to Synod: Messrs. Robinson and Drew; Parish Auditors, Messrs. Evans and Pegrum.

At the close of the meeting refreshments were served to all present by the W.A.s. This was much appreciated after two hours of business.

The regular monthly meeting of the Senior W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. Roberts on Thursday, Feb. 9th at 2:30 p.m. with nine members present. After the regular devotionals and routine business, members were reminded of the World Day of Prayer Service to be held in our church this year, on Feb. 24th instead of a monthly activity it was decided to present a free-will offering at our next meeting.

The postponed Lindbrook Annual Parochial Meeting was held on Sunday, Feb. 12th after Service with an excellent attendance.

The financial statement was presented by Mr. Gordon Kyle and was very encouraging. The Rector in his address explained the various funds and their quota needed to carry on the work of the mission and thanked the officers and members of the congregation for their loyalty and support during the past year. The People's Warden for 1949, Mr. J. Brown

thanked the Vicar for his services throughout the past year and also the organist, Mrs. J. W. Robinson who had attended faithfully throughout the year.

The officers for 1950 are as follows: Vicar's Warden, Mr. G. Kyle; People's Warden, Mr. L. Gill; Vestry: W. Lancaster, J. Brown, Mrs. Gill, Mrs. G. Kyle, Mr. J. A. Richardson, Mrs. D. A. Kyle, Mrs. Hooper and Mrs. Coward. Delegates to Synod: J. Brown and Gordon Kyle. Auditor: Mr. J. A. Richardson; Edmonton Churchman, Mr. J. Brown.

On Sunday morning, Feb. 12th at Tofield the Rector presented Donald Thomson with a Bible as a prize given by the United Society of Christian Literature for obtaining the highest mark in the local Sunday School for his written examination last May. Donald obtained 94 marks. Patricia Orme obtained 93 marks so she was presented with a Prayer and Hymn Book by the Sunday School. Congratulations!

A Community Bonspiel Service was held in the Memorial Hall on Sunday, Feb. 12th at 8:00 p.m. with a good attendance. Rev. Orme gave the address. He has the honor of being the Chaplain for this year.

Baptism: Feb. 12th at Lindbrook—Raymond Glen Lindsay.

EDGERTON AND DISTRICT

The Rev. W. D. Ellway

At last, at the time of writing at least, the weather shows some sign of improvement. The first services of the new year were possible at St. Patrick's and in S. Oswald's Parish in McCafferty School on Sexagesima Sunday, when congregations were good in spite of the different road conditions. We hope that by the time this appears in print conditions will be more or less normal again.

St. Mary the Virgin

The annual church meeting was held on the Third Sunday after the Epiphany, Jan. 22nd after Evening Prayer. The temperature was —50 consequently the attendance was not too good. The financial statement showed a little better situation perhaps than at the corresponding time

last year, but finance is always an anxiety, particularly to Mr. Kington, who bears the heat and burden of the day more than any of us. Excellent reports of the years' work were given by Mrs. Kington, secretary of the W.A. and Mrs. Calvert, Sunday School Superintendent. Mr. R. Kington accepted the Rector's invitation to act as his warden once again and Mr. Dudley Sawyer was re-elected People's Warden. The new Vestry are: Messrs. J. W. Bullymore, T. L. Shaw, R. Harkness and C. Christensen and Mrs. T. L. Shaw, Mrs. D. Sawyer and Mrs. R. Kington, Mrs. G. Sawyer, President of the W.A. Our prayers are for a successful year's work.

A very enjoyable telephone whist drive, organized by the W.A., was held on Wednesday, Jan. 18th. Whist was played at the Rectory and the homes of Mr. and Mrs. R. Kington, Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Sawyer, Mr. and Mrs. H. Johnson. Prizewinners were Mr. R. Kington and Mrs. S. Wilkinson.

The monthly meeting of the W.A. was held at the Rectory on Feb. 2nd with a good attendance. Mrs. D. Tranmer and Mrs. Ellway were lunch hostesses. Reports showed that the Dorcas work is well under way.

Social evenings were held in the church basement after evening prayer on Sunday, Jan. 29th and Feb. 5th. Both were much enjoyed by everyone. At the first we had a program of songs, accompanied by Miss Peggy Shaw. Lunch was served by Mrs. D. Sawyer and Mrs. T. L. Shaw. The second evening was a program of films, mostly in color, of great local interest shown by Mr. G. I. Sawyer. Lunch was served by Mrs. R. Kington and Mrs. A. Pierce. Our thanks are due to Mr. D. Sawyer and Mr. T. L. Shaw who initiated these very enjoyable gatherings.

Our Bishop has promised to visit us on the 5th Sunday in Lent, March 26th this being the nearest Sunday to our patronal festival, the Feast of the Annunciation of Our Lady, March 25th, commonly known as Lady Day. We will be very glad that our Bishop will be with us on one of our great days of the year for parochial rejoicing.

Rural Deanery of Wetaskiwin

IMMANUEL, WETASKIWIN

Rev. F. E. Smith

Despite the intensely cold weather and bad roads the Parish was well represented at the Annual meeting held on Jan. 23rd.

Mr. P. J. Maggs, Rector's Warden, spoke of the progress made in our church since the coming of Rev. F. E. and Mrs. Smith, emphasising in particular the growing interest taken

by the children and younger people in the Church. Our children's attitude towards Church is a vital matter which concerns each and every one of us.

Mr. H. Newby, on behalf of the congregation, thanked the Rector and Mrs. Smith for the splendid work they have done since their coming.

The Rector spoke inspiringly of the work of the Church both here and

throughout the world and concluded his remarks with the conviction that with God's help Immanuel Church could look forward to the coming year with high hopes of continued growth in all its endeavors.

Reports were read by the secretaries and treasurers of all Auxiliaries. The reading of the financial statement showed a satisfactory condition in Church funds.

Elections of Wardens and members of Vestry resulted as follows: Rector's Warden, P. J. Maggs; People's Warden, H. W. Newby. G. Baker, Secretary and Auditor; J. H. Blocksidge, Treasurer. Vestry: G. Baker, J. H. Blocksidge, S. Cole, Mrs. S. Cole, Mrs. A. G. Hellam, Mrs. H. Newby Jr., T. Palfrey, P. J. Maggs, H. R. French, H. W. Newby, C. S. Payne, E. Oswald, D. L. Jerrold, W. Rorke.

ST. JOHN'S MILLET

The Annual Meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Hoskins with Rev. Smith presiding. The various reports were read and the financial statement showed a small balance in the bank. All obligations were met (thanks to the guild). Mrs. Allin's name was added to those of the Vestry which were re-elected by acclamation.

The following officers were elected: Rector's Warden, J. Clarke; People's Warden, E. R. Hoskins; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. R. M. Hoskins; Lay Delegate, J. Clarke. At the close of the meeting lunch was served and a social hour enjoyed.

Burial: Mrs. M. B. Man.

We were happy to have Mrs. S. J. Bell of Fort Simpson with us for Evensong Service the last Sunday in Jan.

The Guild held their Annual Meeting at the home of Mrs. Allin. Various reports were read and showed that the year had been a successful one and what a few can accomplish.

Kneelers had been made and attached to the new pews purchased 18 months ago, all were given two coats of varnish which improved the appearance and adds to the enjoyment of those that worship in the Church.

Besides sending Food Parcels to the aged in England, four quilts were made and sent to the mission at Fort Simpson.

The following officers were re-elected: President, Mrs. W. Ross; Vice-President, Mrs. R. Hoskins; Secretary, Mrs. V. Gardiner; Treasurer, Mrs. Griffiths; Sewing, Mrs. Moore.

A "Mother's Day" tea and home cooking and sewing sale will likely be held in May providing a suitable building can be rented as the former hall has been sold for other purposes.

A delicious lunch was served by the hostess at the conclusion of the meeting.

Just a reminder to those receiving *The Churchman*, will you please send in your subscription to the Secretary-Treasurer of St. John's.

ST. ANDREW'S, CAMROSE

The Rev. C. F. W. Goddard

The cold weather in Jan. was a severe deterrent to Church attendance, but the picture is brighter now that the extreme temperatures are no longer plaguing us. This is a relief to the Vestry as low temperatures and high fuel bills go together.

However, at the end of a long cold month we learned that we had received a substantial boost to our Church Building Fund. Our thanks go to Mr. F. Beeston and Mr. B. V. Nixon for securing this aid and comfort. It is part of the sale price of the Daysland Church, and by resolution of the executive committee is deducted from our Parish debt to the Diocese. The Parish of Camrose is of course responsible for the repayment of this sum in the event of the revival of work at Daysland.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Paton will be moving to Calgary. Mr. Paton will be employed there in the supervisor's department of the Royal Bank; Mrs. Paton and the children will be moving later in the season. Mr. Paton was elected to our Vestry this year, Mrs. Paton was a member of the Evening Group and assisted one year with our Vacation School, Rollie and Kathleen were familiar figures at Sunday School, and baby Keith was Christened last year when the Bishop visited us in November.

The members of the Anglican Evening Group have voted to become a regular evening branch of the Women's Auxiliary.

ST. DUNSTAN'S, BITTERN LAKE

The Annual Meeting of St. Dunstan's Parish was held Feb. 16th in the Community Hall. Cold weather with a bitter wind rather spoiled the plans for the evening, by affecting the attendance, and causing discomfort generally.

Business came first, the Rev. C. F. W. Goddard presiding, Vestry and all others who had served the Church during the past year. And then because financial considerations are an important item on the agenda outlined a plan which might be found useful in this Parish.

Mr. J. B. Hayfield presented the Church reports, and in the absence of the W.A. Secretary, Mrs. C. T. C. Roper read the one for the W.A. As the re-organized Sunday School has only been functioning for a short time, there was no report, but the

Rector hopes soon to have this important work arranged on a satisfactory basis. Teachers are a main problem.

Mr. J. G. Baker reported that \$68. had been collected in this district for the British and Foreign Bible Society.

The Rector appointed Mr. C. J. C. Roper as his warden and Mr. A. C. Birchall was elected People's Warden. Mr. J. B. Hayfield was elected Secretary-Treasurer and the Vestry consists of seven other members: Mrs. E. R. Ochsner, Mrs. C. J. C. Roper and Messrs.: F. Chambers, J. Lomas, Mrs. Ramsell, George A. Butcher and E. L. McNary.

A social hour followed the meeting, and we were indebted to Dr. H. B. Ness of Camrose for a very interesting part of the program, the showing of pictures of his trip to England and Norway, supplemented by a running commentary.

Lunch supplied by the W.A. brought the evening to a close.

ST. MARY'S, PONOKA

The Annual Parochial Meeting of St. Mary's was held recently with a record attendance despite the fact that the weatherman saw fit to supply us with an evening of fifty below zero variety. The two Women's Auxiliary branches combined to supply an excellent turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Following the banquet the Rev. F. E. Smith opened the Annual meeting in the customary way. Following which, the minutes of the last annual meeting and the various reports were read by the officers of the groups.

The Rector in his report mentioned the need for a spiritual revival in the Parish. He called on all members to play a part in bringing the luke warm Anglicans into active membership. Mr. Scott reporting for the Rectory committee mentioned that all accounts for the renovation of the Rectory have now been paid, and all that remains to be settled is the loan which will be paid out of the Rectory rent. This means that in less than two years, the Parish will have quite a good source of income from this venture.

Mr. Wilkins presented the financial statement, which showed quite a good increase over preceeding years.

Mr. Hickmore reporting for the the committee on the new furnace, mentioned that the furnace was ready to be installed, and that a few more donations would be welcome in order to defray the remainder of the cost.

The Women's Auxiliary reports, showed that the ladies had certainly not been idle during the past year; their activities are too numerous to mention at this time. The Sunday School has increased in numbers and

is in a very healthy condition. The Rector thanked the teachers for their splendid co-operation in what he termed "the most important department of the church." Mrs. Healing and Mr. Young were accorded a very special vote of thanks from the meeting for their excellent services at the organ. Mrs. E. Taylor was also given special mention for the wonderful work she is doing with the newly formed Junior Auxiliary group. Mr. Scott the Rector's warden mentioned that St. Mary's is looking forward to a happy and prosperous year in 1950 under the able guidance of the present rector.

The Afternoon Group of the W.A. recently honored two of their members with a gift of silver for long service in St. Mary's W.A.—Mrs. T. Cooper, 35 years and Mrs. D. Jones, 29 years.

Members of the I.O.D.E. observed their 50th Anniversary by attending service in St. Mary's Church Feb. 12th. The Rector, Mr. Smith gave a very inspiring address.

The G.A. girls are looking forward to doing project work on their study book of Japan before starting the work for the Spring G.A. Festival.

Mr. T. Cooper, is at present a patient in the University Hospital. He is very ill, but our prayers are for a speedy recovery.

ST. GEORGE'S, WINFIELD

The first meeting of the New Year was held at the home of Mrs. L. Bunney.

Election of officers was the main order of business. Executive was re-elected by acclamation.

A coat of paint and a new set of steps have been added to the church.

The Sunday School under the direction of Mrs. Lang are planning a St. Patrick's Day concert.

The Wared Day of Prayer Service will be held at the home of Mrs. A. Johanasson.

SEDGEWICK

The Rev. W. Brooks

The annual meetings have at last been completed, and for the information of those unable to attend for various reasons we summarize the general picture of the church in the Parish. Reports indicate a continued progress generally, and those of organizations in particular show encouraging results. In one important respect however, membership and offerings, we are static, and various officers concerned have indicated that with our membership we also entail financial obligations that cannot be ignored. I would ask you therefore to co-operate to your ability in enabling those concerned to carry out their work which is done voluntarily under what is sometimes a strain, by regular giving. In each

place a review of the past year was given, and tasks for this year outlined.

At Sedgewick a committee has gone into action to investigate costs of renovation to the exterior of the church, and though it might not be possible to complete all the work in 1950 we do hope that there will be a great step in this direction this year. At this point we had a well attended meeting, and the men this year prepared, cooked, and served a very excellent dinner for the congregation. After having had to do the work all the time for all the people, it was thought that the ladies should be given a "break." I am happy to say everything functioned smoothly, and would like to thank all who helped. We had a visit from the Rev. F. Peake, and his program has stimulated interest in camp, and SS work. At the beginning of the month we were glad to see the Girl Guide troop parade to church, despite intense cold there was a good turnout.

At Lougheed plans were formulated to paint and shingle the church, and if possible equip the building with other fittings that are needed. Again though perhaps not within scope financially for one year, we know that there will be a start on these needed items. And its is encouraging to find our people so vitally interested and co-operative. Under the energetic Mrs. Thomas, Kirkman, and Scott, we were given

a robed junior choir this past Christmas, and the material is such that it will add greatly to our services. We thank the principal at the public school for giving us time and accommodation which Mr. Peake used to great advantage among the group who remained to hear him and see the films he brought.

Our Hardisty meeting was poorly attended, yet those who were there received comprehensive and informative reports from all concerned, and I know they join with me in thanking Mr. and Mrs. French who placed their home at our disposal, and later served a delightful lunch. We are sorry that Mrs. Brown is not well and hope that it will not be too long before she is around again. at Killam, Mr. and Mrs. Neeley were again our hosts for the annual meeting, for that it has become an annual event so many years has this been the case which we all enjoy and thank you. The Killam branch of the I.O.D.E. paraded to church during the month and were well represented, we take this opportunity to invite you again at any time.

The branches of the W.A. are all active, cold weather or not, the last meeting at Hardisty held at the home of Mrs. F. Matthews left in abeyance the place for the March meeting. At Lougheed, it was reported that the new branch of L.H. was organized and developing, plans were also discussed for catering to the bonspiel.

Sedgewick ladies catered to the local 'spiel and report a very successful effort. The Killam meeting was held at the home of Mrs. J. Smith, due to transportation interruption we were unable to look in, however all is well now, it was decided that as soon as possible there would be a cleaning up campaign from basement to attic at the church. All men please note.

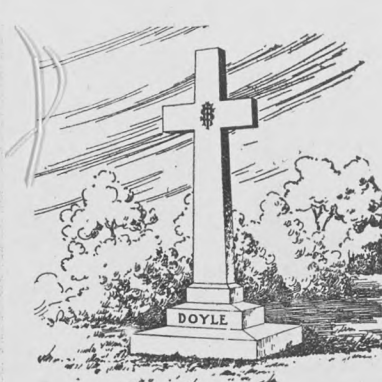
The Bishop has given us the date of confirmation services at Hardisty, and Sedgewick for March 19th, will you please note this and make it a must in your own program.

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"We ought to pay far more attention to the future than to the past, for everyone is going to spend the rest of his life in it."

"Man is a benevolent animal. A never sees B in distress without thinking that C ought to help him."

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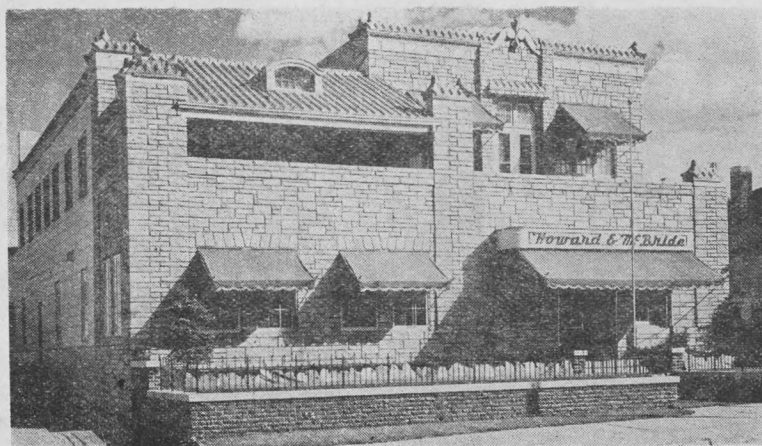
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